MISSISSIPPI STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

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Notice of Proposed Sole Source Purchase #0301-01
RFx # 3150000114

The Mississippi State Department of Health anticipates purchasing the item(s) listed below as a sole source purchase. Anyone objecting to this purchase shall follow the procedures outlined below.

Commodity or commodities to be purchased (make, model, description):

- Make: HemoCue America
- Model: HB 201+Cuvettes 4X50on, #111716
- Description: MicroCuvettes for use with HemoCue Hemoglobin Analyzers

Explanation of the need to be fulfilled by this item(s) and why it is the only one that can meet the specific needs of the department:

- The MicroCuevettes used in conjunction with the HemoCue Analyzers (already in place in approximately 100 sites) are used to test only hemoglobin (which is a lab value used to assist in the diagnosis of anemia). Anemia screening is a required component of care for approximately four health and nutrition programs in the Mississippi State Department of Health.
- The MicroCuvettes used with the existing analyzers are specific to this machine and are sole source from this same manufacturer as the analyzers.

Name of company/individual selling the item and why that source is the only possible source that can provide the required item(s):

- HemoCue America is the sole manufacturer of this product and sells only direct to Public Health customers.

Estimated cost of item(s) and an explanation why the amount to be expended is considered reasonable:

- Estimated Cost: $134,400.00
- Mississippi State Department of Health receives approximately 56.5% discount from retail pricing.

Explanation of the efforts taken by the department to determine this is the only source and the efforts used to obtain the best possible price:

- HemoCue America is the manufacturer and sole vendor of this product to Public Health customers
- All applicable discounts were explored and applied.

Any person or entity that objects and proposes that the commodity listed is not sole source and can be provided by another person or entity shall submit a written notice to: Johnny Nelson, Mississippi State Department of Health Purchasing Department, 570 E. Woodrow Wilson, Room 134 Underwood Building, Jackson, MS 39216 or P. O. Box 1700, Jackson, MS 39215-1700.

Responses may be hand delivered, via regular mail, overnight delivery or by e-mail: johnny.nelson@msdh.ms.gov. The envelope or e-mail should reference the sole source number.

The notice shall contain a detailed explanation of why the commodity is not a sole source procurement. Appropriate documentation shall also be submitted if applicable. The enclosed form (OSS) may be used if you so desire.

If after a review of the submitted notice and documents, Mississippi State Department of Health determines that the commodity in the proposed sole source request can be provided by another person or entity, then Mississippi State Department of Health will withdraw the sole source request publication from the procurement portal website and submit the procurement of the commodity to an advertised competitive bid or selection process.

If Mississippi State Department of Health determines after review that there is only one (1) source for the required commodity, the Mississippi State Department of Health will appeal to the Public Procurement Review Board. Mississippi State Department of Health will have the burden of proving that the commodity is only provided by one (1) source.

Notices/objections, etc. will be accepted at any time prior to: Friday, September 4, 2015 at 3:00 p.m. (CST)

OFFICE OF PURCHASING, TRAVEL AND FLEET MANAGEMENT
OBJECTION TO SOLE SOURCE DETERMINATION (0SS)

VENDOR FORM

INFORMATION ABOUT THE VENDOR/INDIVIDUAL SUBMITTING OSS FORM

Vendor/Representative Name: _____

Responsible Contact: _____

Phone/Email/Fax Contact: _____

Date Form Submitted: _____ RFIN#: (RFx#) _____

INFORMATION ABOUT THE PURCHASING AGENCY

Agency: _____

Proposed Commodity Provider Name: _____

Type of Commodity: _____

Provide a detailed explanation of why the commodity is not a sole source commodity; including why you believe that you, your company, or another entity can provide the commodity required by the Agency.

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