USM SSP 25_0019 Notice of Proposed Sole Source Purchase of Avthor Mid with AvCare+.

http://www.ms.gov/dfa/contract_bid_search/Bid

RFx: 3150006214

Comments/objections will be received as required per Section 31-7-13 (C) of the Mississippi Code until 8:00 a.m. (Central Time) on April 28, 2025.

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:

Jacob Cochran Interim Director of Procurement & Contracts 118 College Dr. Box 5003 Hattiesburg, MS 39406 <u>bids@usm.edu</u> Phone: 601-266-4131

Subject Line must read "Sole Source Objection USM SSP 25_019"

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.

If after a review of the submitted notice and documents, USM determines that the commodity in the proposed sole source request can be provided by another person or entity, then USM 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 USM determines after review that there is only one (1) source for the required commodity, then USM will appeal to the Public Procurement Review Board. USM will have the burden of proving that the commodity is only provided by one (1) source.

Run Dates: 4/14, 4/21

The University of Southern Mississippi Notice of Proposed Sole Source Purchase SSP 25 019

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

- 1. Description of the commodity that USM is seeking to procure:
 - Avthor Midtone is a wearable simulator that mimics chest tubes
- 2. Explanation of why the commodity is the only one that meets the needs of the agency:
 - No other company has wearable simulators
- Explanation of why the source is the only source is the only person or entity that can provide the required commodity:
 - Avkin is the only source of wearable simulators for chest=tube
- 4. Explanation of why the amount to be expended for the commodity is reasonable:
 - Healthcare technology is expensive. In looking at even the least expensive mannequin without the chest tube you are looking at approximately 6,000 dollars.
- 5. Efforts that the agency went through to obtain the best possible price for the commodity:
 - This is the only company that produces this product

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Date
4/14/25
4/21/25

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Director of Procurement & Contracts

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