

The University of Southern Mississippi
Notice of Proposed Sole Source Purchase
SSP 20_034

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:

Security gates for entrance of Cook Library. These gates detect Tattle Tale strips that are placed inside all materials in the library. Unless the items are properly checked out, the gates will alarm if the strips are active.

2. Explanation of why the commodity is the only one that meets the needs of the agency:

These are the only gates produced that detect Tattle Tale tags.

3. Explanation of why the source is the only source is the only person or entity that can provide the required commodity:

Bibliotheca is the only vendor that designs and manufactures this security gate.

4. Explanation of why the amount to be expended for the commodity is reasonable:

This company is the only source of security gates for Tattle Tale tags.

5. Efforts that the agency went through to obtain the best possible price for the commodity:

The price was negotiated down to this final amount. There will be no cost for installation and it is 15% lower than list price.

Advertisement Schedule	Date
1st scheduled	6/15/2020
2nd scheduled	6/22/2020

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:

Steve Ballew

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Director of Procurement & Contracts
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Subject Line must read "Sole Source Objection"

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.