

USM SSP 22_015 Notice of Proposed Sole Source Purchases of the following:

Trimble R12i Receiver & Configuration Level

Trimble Rover Rod / Battery / Accessories

Hardware Warranty & Maintenance

RFx: 3150004150

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

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 March 25th, 2022.

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 written notice, by 8:00 AM CST, March 25th, 2022.

to:

Steve Ballew

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Phone: 601-266-4131

Subject Line must read "Sole Source Objection – USM SSP 22_015"

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:

03.10.22

03.17.22

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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:

Trimble R12i Receiver, Model 60 with internal UHF radio and cellular modem. R12i Configuration Level - R12i Base and Rover Mode. Dual Battery Charger with Power Supply, Power Cord, Rover Rod, Adapter, SS Monument 2” Pipe and 5/8-11 FEMA. Bipod Carbon Fiber Base and Clip. 5-Year Coverage of Hardware & Firmware.

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

The Trimble R12i assures the field users of backward compatibility for use with an already existing network of Trimble permanent base stations that are part of a national sponsored program by the Department of Commerce, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Association and National Geodetic Survey to provide accurate height information. This equipment will allow field users to connect to the existing network via cellular modem and receive real time corrections with decimeter level accuracy. The Trimble R12i is the only field rover system capable of utilizing the CMR+ protocol used by an existing Trimble Pivot Platform software package.

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

Trimble is the only vendor that engineers, manufactures, sells, service and supports a complete solution of GNSS hardware and software. This assures the University of full system compatibility, modernization paths and technical support.

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

No other hardware has the ability to utilize the CMR+/CMRx protocol to integrate with our existing infrastructure. Federally Funded Regional Geospatial Modeling Project.

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

Navigation Electronics, Inc. (NEI) is the only authorized distributor for Trimble Inc. within the State of Mississippi. Contractual agreements limit dealers to sell specific geographic territory for the purpose of local support for customers.

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Advertisement Schedule	Date
1st scheduled	3.10.22
2nd scheduled	3.17.22

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