Mississippi State University Notice of Proposed Sole Source Purchase SSP 234-24

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

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

InnoSoft FusionPlay Intramural Registration and League Scheduling Software Add-On Application, FPLAY-PP-2017-3839. The application is a one stop shop for students to register, pay, create rosters and view team schedules for all things intramurals. The application also provides direct communication and integration with the department's overarching Innosoft Fusion point of sales and facility access software

2. Explanation of the need to be fulfilled by this item(s), how is it unique from all other options, and why it is the only one that can meet the specific needs of the department:

This is the only ad-free, smart phone application based product that fully integrates with our current over-arching software in InnoSoft Fusion that handles all control operations within the facility (access, product sales, & access).

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

InnoSoft are the creators and sole providers of Fusion Play, an ad-free intramural league management tool. Fusion Play is the only league management tool fully integrated with Fusion, for authentication, payments, reporting, league and game management, and communication. Specifically, FusionPlay offers unlimited intramural leagues and participants, unlimited 24/7 toll-free telephone and online support, and online access to electronic user manuals

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

The start-up cost for FusionPlay is \$1000 which includes setup and onsite training. Thereafter the quote outlines a \$3,000 per year (5 year term) price point. This would cumulatively equal a total cost of \$16,000. This is comparable with the annual costs of the FusionGO application that handles facility access.

5. 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:

John McNeal, our Assistant Director has researched the field to find the best options and price of user solutions to enhance the user experience for our students participating in intramurals. FusionPlay has been the option that surfaces that provides full integration with our current software, no ads and a fair price point. In each focus group with the student association over the past two years, a common reoccurrence has been the difficulty of using the current ad-based free program that includes errors, time-outs and random log-outs.

FusionPlay is the proper step in the right direction to accommodate our large student patron base for intramurals.

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:

Jennifer Mayfield, CPPO

Interim Deputy Director of Procurement & Contracts

jmayfield@procurement.msstate.edu

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