

Mississippi Forensic Laboratory
Notice of Proposed Sole Source Purchase
Sole Source # 3150005586

The Mississippi Forensic Laboratory is seeking to purchase the CMI Inc. Intoxilyzer 9000 Software Configuration and COBRA V5 Communication Software.

1. Description of the commodity or commodities the MSFL is seeking to procure:

Make and Model: I-9000 Intoxilyzer Software Configuration, COBRA V5 Communication Software and COBRA V5 Standalone License.

2. Explanation of why the commodity is the only one that can meet the needs of the Agency:

The Intoxilyzer 9000 customized instrument software is required to operate the Intoxilyzer 9000. The COBRA V5 Communication software is required to collect and utilize the data from the Intoxilyzer 9000. Both meet all State of Mississippi statues and program needs. The instrument, software, accessories, and spare/replacement parts are solely manufactured and distributed by CMI. Inc.

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

CMI Inc is the only company that produces the Intoxilyzer 9000 customized instrument software and COBRA V5 Communication Software to operate the Intoxilyzer 9000. The COBRA V5 Communication Software is used to collect and utilize the data from the Intoxilyzer 9000. Both are manufactured and developed solely by CMI Inc, no other company can produce or configure a program that meets the needs of the Mississippi Forensics Laboratory.

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

Estimated Cost: \$92,100.00

The amount is within the expected price range of these items requested.

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

The Mississippi Forensics Laboratory has negotiated with CMI Inc for the best discount on instruments and supporting products for an updated evidentiary breath alcohol program.

Any person or entity that objects and proposes that the commodities listed are not a sole source and can be provided by another person or entity should submit a written notice to:

Britney Wesley or Sonya Toaster
Procurement Department
4th Floor, Room 402
Jackson, MS 39216

The notice should contain a detailed explanation of why the commodities are not a sole source procurement, as well as, but not limited to the following information:

Interested Party Information

- Contact Name, Phone Number, and email address
- Company Website URL, if applicable

Objection to Sole Source Justification

- Interested parties must present specific objections to the Sole Source certification, including, but not limited to the following: A description of the commodity or commodities that Interested Party believes is comparable to Intoxilyzer 9000 Software Configuration and COBRA V5 Communication Software.
 - a) and related consumables.
 - b) An explanation of why Interested Party's commodity or commodities can also meet the needs of the agency; and
 - c) A list of sources from which Interested Party's commodity may be procured.

If Interested Party claims that the Intoxilyzer 9000 Software Configuration and COBRA V5 Communication Software related consumables are available from a source other than CMI Inc, the objection must contain a written statement from CMI Inc that the Interested Party is an authorized distributor or reseller of the CMI Inc. Intoxilyzer 9000 Software Configuration and COBRA V5 Communication Software and related consumables.

This information should be provided no later than Friday, April 12, 2024, at 5:00 pm local time.

Response may be delivered by hand, via regular mail or overnight delivery.

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

If MSFL determines after the review that there is only one (1) source for the required commodity or commodities, then MSFL will appeal to the Public Procurement Review Board (PPRB). MSFL will have the burden of proving that the commodity or commodities is only provided by one (1) source.