### Mississippi Forensic Laboratory Notice of Proposed Sole Source Purchase Sole source # 3150002466

The Mississippi Forensic Laboratory (MSFL) is seeking to purchase AB Sciex Exion  $LC^{TM}$  and 3200 QTRAP Mass Spectrometer.

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

Make and Model: AB Sciex Exion LC and 3200 QTRAP Mass Spectrometer.

**Description:** AB Sciex Exion LC and 3200 QTRAP Mass Spectrometer.

	Item Number	
Line		Item Description
1	5036665	Configered ExionLC AC System – No oven
2	ABSX LC PROCTECT 1 PM	LC Protect 1PM EXIONPUMPAC
3	4376887	FG, TRIAZINE STANDARD MIXTURE
4	4465785	SOLVENT BOTTLE CAP, SHIMZDZU (INDIVIDUAL)
5	5036659	Exion LC Column Oven 120V
6	4466121	15K PSI COL SWITCHING VALVE .2 POS 6 PORT
7	4463926	2 POSITION VALVE MOUNT KIT CTO-20/30A/C
8	5036647	EXIONLC SOLVENT SELECT VALVE 3 CHANNEL
9	5063734	SCIEX WORKSTATION WIN 10 UPGRADE (WITH MONITOR AND SCIEX)
10	EXP-US1-1 103	3663503 HP COLOR LASERJET ENTERPRISE M553N
11	5069543	MONITOR 27 INCH (U2719D)
12	TRNLP003	SCIEXUNIVERSITY Success Master
13	5050502	Essential Exion LC AC (XR) Complete Kit
14	ABSX SOFTWARE PLUS	Software Plus Plan   3200 QTRAP

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

The items are used only with SCIEX software. It provides instrument control, monitoring capabilities, data analysis, advanced data mining, and processing tools. It can be used when the ExionLC<sup>TM</sup> is coupled with a SCIEX mass spectrometer. The Analyst® Software and SCIEX OS (whether base OS, -MQ, or -Q) were developed by and are proprietary to SCIEX. They are used to control, and communicate between the LC and the mass spectrometer. Which is currently being used by the Mississippi Forensics Laboratory.

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

There are no other manufacturers that offer systems that match the unique specifications and capabilities of the Exion LC<sup>TM</sup>. The Exion LC<sup>TM</sup> is a SCIEX branded liquid chromotographer designed exclusively to be coupled with a SCIEX mass spectrometer. AB SCIEX is the sole manufacturer and distributor of all AB SCIEX related consumables used in conjunction with these instruments. These products are sold direct, and are available exclusively from AB SCIEX.

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

**Estimated Cost:** \$136,760.61.

Amount is within the expected price range of this items being requested.

These products are sold direct, and are available exclusively from AB SCIEX Exion LC<sup>TM</sup>. AB SCIEX Exion LC<sup>TM</sup> is the exclusive distributor of all related consumables used in conjunction with these models.

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

MSFL has negotiated with AB SCIEX Exion LC<sup>TM</sup> who offered a discount. MSFL is not paying the list price for the commodities.

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 should submit a written notice to:

Betsy Toles or Sonya Toaster
Procurement Department
4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Room 402
1900 East Woodrow Wilson Avenue
Jackson, MS 39216

The notice should contain a detailed explanation of why the commodity is 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) A description of the commodity or commodities that Interested Party believes is comparable to the AB SCIEX Exion LC<sup>TM</sup> 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 AB SCIEX Exion LC<sup>TM</sup> and related consumables are available from a source other than AB SCIEX Exion LC<sup>TM</sup>, the objection must contain a written statement from AB SCIEX Exion LC<sup>TM</sup> that the Interested Party is an authorized distributor or reseller of the AB SCIEX Exion LC<sup>TM</sup> and related consumables.

This information should be provided no later than Tuesday, December 3, 2019 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.