

Intent to Sole Source

The Medical University of South Carolina (MUSC), the Department of Comparative Medicine Division of Laboratory Animal Resources intent to award in accordance with §11-35-1560 (A) of the SC Consolidated Procurement Code, without competition, a sole source contract to Getinge USA Sales LLC.

The Department of Comparative Medicine Division of Laboratory Animal Resources (DLAR) requires a Getinge USA Model 733LS-E Series steam sterilizer is the maximum internal size needed for processing our lab waste and experiment materials. The autoclave is crucial to the daily operation of DLAR due to the increased animal population in the Hollings Cancer Center. The autoclave is utilized to sterilize animal cages, various liquids, glassware, instruments, and additional laboratory items. If the animal cages are not sterilized, it can lead to a wide spread of C-Bovis bacteria that can spread throughout the animal facility and ultimately kill the animals which affects our animal research. The equipment is necessary to maintain biosecurity of the program and provide an area for sterilization of cages after use in Animal Biosafety Level (ABSL2) as well as sterilization of cages prior to housing immune-compromised and defined flora animals used in their research studies. This autoclave will replace the current Getinge autoclave in the Hollings Cancer Center and will not require major physical changes to the building.

This notice of intent is not a request for competitive proposals. Any responsible sources who wish to identify their interest and capability to provide these services must notify the Procurement Officer at seabroky@musc.edu no later than March 22, 2021, (12:00 a.m. EST). Telephone responses will not be accepted. Upon receipt of the interested parties' notification, the Procurement Officer will determine whether to conduct a competitive procurement or proceed with sole source negotiations.

PROTESTS (MAY 2019) If you are aggrieved in connection with the intended award of this contract, you may be entitled to protest, but only as provided in §11-35-4210. To protest an intended award of a contract pursuant to §11-35-1560, you shall (i) notify the chief procurement officer in writing of your intent to protest within five (5) business days of the date this intent to award is posted, and (ii) if the appropriate chief procurement officer has been timely notified of your intent to protest, you may submit your actual protest within fifteen days of the date this notice of intent to award is posted. Days are calculated as provided in §11-35-310(13). Both protests and notices of intent to protest must be in writing and must be received by the appropriate Chief Procurement Officer within the time provided. The grounds of the protest and the relief requested must be set forth with enough particularity to give notice of the issues to be decided.

Any protest or notice of intent to protest must be addressed to the Chief Procurement Officer, Materials Management Office, and submitted in writing (a) by email to: protest-mmo@mmo.state.sc.us or (b) by post or delivery to: 1201 Main Street, Suite 600, Columbia, SC 29201