## INTENT TO SOLE SOURCE

The Medical University Of South Carolina (MUSC) College of Pharmacy Dean's Office in accordance with §11-35-1560 (A) of the SC Consolidated Procurement Code, intends to award without competition, a sole source contract in accordance with Regulation 19-445.2105 to WA Associates LLC.

MUSC College of Pharmacy is requesting to purchase WA Associates Board Review Course and Review Materials. This review course and review materials will be used to prepare students within the MUSC College of Pharmacy for the required National Pharmacy Exam. This exam is a key standard from our accrediting body the American Council on Pharmaceutical Education (ACPE). This service is necessary for our students to meet accreditation standards and WA Associates is the only company that will review and prepare students on the standards. This allows us to reliably and accurately assess and prepare our students for Pharmacy Boards. The review materials will be used to evaluate exam preparedness and ability of our students to meet Board of Pharmacy Standards. In addition to ACPE standards that accredit our College, our students must meet standards developed by the Board of Pharmacy to become a Pharmacist.

## PROTESTS (MAY 2019)

If you are aggrieved in connection with the solicitation or award of the contract, you may be entitled to protest, but only as provided in Section 11-35-4210. To protest a solicitation, you must submit a protest within fifteen days of the date the applicable solicitation document is issued. To protest an award, you must (i) submit notice of your intent to protest within five business days of the date the award notice is posted, and (ii) submit your actual protest within fifteen days of the date the award notice is posted. Days are calculated as provided in Section 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. See clause entitled "Protest-CPO". 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. [02-2A085-2]

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

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 items must notify the Procurement Officer, Gerald McKee, via email, at <u>mckeeg@musc.edu</u>, no later than April 03, 2020, (12:00 am 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.