

Emergency Procurement

The Medical University of South Carolina (MUSC), Department of Engineering & Facilities (E&F) in accordance with §11-35-1570 (B) of the SC Consolidated Procurement Code, and in accordance with Regulation 19-445.2110 is announcing the award of an emergency procurement to Trane US in the amount of \$83,980.

MUSC's emergency procurement is a two months rental to include the installation of a temporary 1000 ton chiller at the Mechanical Research Expansion (MRE) site. One of the units at the (MRE) chiller plant recently failed and will need to be replaced. MUSC is in the process of procuring a new chiller, but the chiller will not arrive and be functional for approximately two (2) months. This chiller plant serves 10 facilities and is required to run at full capacity during the extremely hot months.

The lack of cooling capacity will endanger MUSC academic facility because of the possibility of high humidity of the interior of buildings. This risk could lead to mold forming in ceiling tiles and walls and affect the ability to occupy the building serviced by the failed unit. Therefore, it is imperative to enter into the emergency rental agreement before the peak summer season. As this procurement will allow MUSC Enterprise to meet the demands of cooling these facilities.

The Procurement Officer has deemed this to be an emergency in accordance with Section 11-35-1570 of the South Carolina Procurement Code as not being able to provide chilled water to cool these buildings would endanger our research projects as well as create an unsafe environment for our patients, visitors, faculty, staff and students.

This notice is not a request for competitive proposals. Telephone responses will not be accepted.

Bidder's right to protest as listed in Section 11-35-4210 in the South Carolina Consolidated Procurement Code applies to this announcement of an emergency procurement.

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, Materials Management Office, and submitted in writing (a) by email to: protest-mmo@mmo.sc.gov or (b) by post or delivery to: 1201 Main Street, Suite 600, Columbia, SC 29201