

Mississippi State University
Notice of Proposed Sole Source Purchase
245-39

Mississippi State University anticipates purchasing the item(s) listed below as a sole source purchase. Anyone objecting to this purchase shall follow the procedures outlined below.

1. Commodity or commodities to be purchased (make, model, description):

Axon Fleet-Cradlepoint, Signal unit, Airgain Ant, Standard 2 camera kit, sim insertion,

Fleet vehicle license, storage, warranty signal unit, 2 camera kit

2. Explanation of the need to be fulfilled by this item(s), how is it unique from all other options, and why it is the only one that can meet the specific needs of the department:

Our department purchased these same items for our police vehicles at an earlier time from Axon. We are one short for our fleet and need these same items for our vehicles. These items are unique because they are the same make and model of what we have which makes them the best choice to work with our existing equipment. This additional camera kit is compatible with the platform system we are using.

3. Name of company/individual selling the item and why that source is the only possible source that can provide the required item(s):

Axon Enterprise, Inc. is the vendor we used for our police vehicles as well as our body cameras and tasers. For the new camera kit to work with our existing equipment, we need to order the same equipment we ordered originally.

4. Estimated cost of item(s) and an explanation why the amount to be expended is considered reasonable:

The cost is \$8,288.10. The equipment is very important to the Police Department because it protects our officers as well as the suspects. The price is relevant for what we paid for the original equipment.

5. Explanation of the efforts taken by the department to determine this is the only source and the efforts used to obtain the best possible price:

Buying cameras from another company would not serve the same purpose because they would not be compatible with the equipment we already have. The price is comparable to what we spent originally for the individual cameras. Vendor certifies they are the sole source manufacturer and distributor.

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 shall submit a written notice to:

Jennifer Mayfield, CPPO
Interim Deputy Director of Procurement & Contracts
jmayfield@procurement.msstate.edu
Subject Line must read "Sole Source Objection"

The notice shall contain a detailed explanation of why the commodity is not a sole source procurement. Appropriate documentation shall also be submitted if applicable.

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

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