### Mississippi State University Notice of Proposed Sole Source Purchase 245-76

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):

Basketball Vector S7 Pro Package – vests + software + additional items for data gathering systems

# 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:

Catapult's Vector is the only organization that gathers specific data that tracks the athlete and their movements on the court. No other organizations provides the items and software agreements as a package to gather the necessary data.

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

Catapult – Vector system is the only organization that gathers specific player tracking system that provides receivers worn on players as well as a software that gathers live data to analyze and share information with the coaching staff and players.

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

Vector Package - \$43,900.00 from 7/1/25 - 6/30/28.

Package includes the data tracking receivers as well as software accessibility.

# 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:

No other companies provide these types of services/goods uniquely fitting to specific data gathering system and a compatible software.

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 Director of Procurement & Contracts <u>jmayfield@procurement.msstate.edu</u> 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.