

NOTICE OF INTENT TO SOLE SOURCE

Posting Date: 12/14/2020

In accordance with Section 11-35-1560(a) of the SC Consolidated Procurement Code, and Section 19-445.2015 of the SC Code of State Regulations, Trident Technical College intends to sole source the procurement of:

Professional Development Training for faculty teaching online courses

Trident Technical College (TTC) is seeking to sole source procurement of online training for faculty who teach online courses.

TTC Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP), Connected to Your Success, seeks to improve online courses by providing essential student support, training faculty in online course development, and improving student satisfaction with their online experience. One of the primary goals of Connected to Your Success is to provide additional training and support to enhance faculty preparation for online instruction. Bason this goal, the EQP team determined three essential requirements for this training program. 1: The primary focus must be on online learning pedagogy. 2. The program must be offered exclusively online. 3. It must be a nationally recognized program.

Through market research, the QEP team found programs that focus on course design and delivery of online, courses, not online learning pedagogy. ACUE is the only company found that meets all three requirements

The total value of this purchase is: \$60,000

Address questions or concerns via e-mail to Trident Technical College @ Procurement.Questions@tridenttech.edu for this sole source o later than 12:01 a.m. December 22, 2020.

This notice is posted in the South Carolina Business Opportunities (SCBO) as required by SC Code 11-35-1560.

PROTESTS:

If you are aggrieved in connection with the intended award or award of the contract, you may be entitled to protest, but only as provided in Section 11-35-4210. To protest an award, you must (i) submit notice of your intent to protest within five (5) business days of the date of this notice is posted, and (ii) submit your actual protest within fifteen days of the date this 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. 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 (b) by facsimile at 803 737-0639 or, (c) by post or delivery to 1201 Main Street, Suite 600, Columbia, SC 29201

JUSTIFICATION FOR
SOLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT

Based upon the following determination, the proposed procurement action described below is being procured pursuant to the authority of Section 11-35-1560 of the South Carolina Procurement Code and 19-445.2105 of the Rules and Regulations, 1976 South Carolina Code of Laws.

This governmental body proposes to procure: Professional Development training to online faculty

As a sole source procurement from: ACUE – Association of College and University Educators
745 Fifth Avenue #500
New York, NY 10151

The basis for this sole source determination and the reason no other vendor is suitable is:

Trident Technical College (TTC) quality Enhancement Plan (QEP), Connected to Your Success, seeks to improve online courses by providing essential student support, training faculty in online course development, and improving student satisfaction with their online experience. One of the primary goals of Connected to Your Success is to provide additional training and support to enhance faculty preparation for online instruction. Based on this goal, it was necessary for the QEP team to find a resource to provide professional development training to faculty who teach online.

The QEP team developed three essential requirements for the training program: 1. The primary focus must be on online learning pedagogy. 2. The program must be offered exclusively online. 3. It must be a nationally recognized program. ACUE, a nationally recognized program by the American Council on Education is the only program that meets all three requirements for the training program.

Date: 01/04/2021

Contract Period:

TRIDENT TECHNICAL COLLEGE

Contract Amount: \$60,000.00

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Blanket sole source: Yes No

Contract \$50,000 or greater. Drug Free Workplace Act (Section 44-107-30 Code of Laws of SC) applies:

Yes No _____ Buyers Initials

Signed Drug Free Workplace Certification form attached:

Yes No _____ Buyers Initials - Requested

Open Trade Certification on file or attached Yes No _____ Buyers Initials - Requested

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