

NOTICE OF INTENT TO AWARD SOLE SOURCE

The Michael E. DeBakey Veteran Affairs Medical Center (MEDVAMC) intends to solicit and negotiate a Sole Source, Firm-Fixed-Price contract with a base year and four one year option periods with one Large Business (LB) source Leica Microsystem Inc. The procurement is for Preventative Maintenance, Emergency Services, parts and software to maintain the government Leica systems. Leica, is the original equipment manufacturer (OEM) for the equipment listed below.

S/N	Description
1. 328/04.2013	Leica CM1860 UV Configuration US
2. 639/10.2013	Leica CM1860 UV Configuration US
3. 602/09.2013	Leica CM1860 UV Configuration US
4. 330/04.2013	Leica CM1860 UV Configuration US
5. 0265256B	Peloris II# Dual Retort TissueProcessor
6. 0341/04.2013	Leica CM1860 UV Configuration US
7. 10010/10.2013	EG1150C 120V 60Hz
8. 9967/10.2013	EG1150H
9. 5627	Leica IPC Config.1 - USA
10. 5155	Leica IP S Config.1 - USA
11. 2024/10.2010	Leica IP S Config.1 - USA
12. 0265750B	Peloris II# Dual Retort TissueProcessor
13. 0237/10.2004	Leica RM2245 - config. 1
14. 0236/10.2004	Leica RM2245 - config. 1
15. 3499/10.2012	Leica RM2245 - Configuration 1
16. 0234/10.2004	Leica RM2245 - config. 1
17. 2910/08.2012	Leica RM2245 - Configuration 1
18 3498/10.2013	Leica RM2245 - Configuration 1
19. 0235/10.2004	Leica RM2245 - config. 1
20. 2909/08.2012	Leica RM2245 - Configuration 1
21. 082008	Leica CM1850UV Config. US

The North American Industry Classification (NAICS) code for this acquisition is 811219, Other Electronic and Precision Equipment Repair and Maintenance.

This purchase will be made under Simplified Acquisition Procedures and Other than Full and Open Competition, as authorized by FAR 6.302-1 and in accordance with FAR 13.106-1(b). The anticipated award date is April 1, 2019. The Government intends to award a Firm-Fixed-Price contract, in accordance with FAR 16.202-1.

Please note that this is not a request for competitive quotes and is being posted for informational purposes only.

Interested parties may identify their interests and capability to respond to this requirement within seven (7) calendar days (March 19, 2019) of the publication of this notice. Any response to this notice shall show clear and convincing evidence with OEM documentation that competition would be advantageous to the Government.

Interested parties shall submit clear evidence with an **AUTHORIZATION LETTER** from Original Equipment manufacturer (OEM) Leica Microsystem Inc.

Interested parties shall submit clear evidence with the capability to provide the following for Preventative Maintenance, Emergency Services, parts and software maintain the Leica Systems at the MEDVAMC. The following are the main requirements, followed by the tasks.

- Maintain systems with a better than 96% up time.
- Includes all materials and labor to keep the equipment in good operating condition, not including batteries or other consumables. Repair/Replacement parts.
- Includes 24/7 telephone support, Monday thru Friday 6AM to 6PM Central Standard Time (CST) and 2 Hours response 6PM to 6 AM CST Monday thru Friday plus Saturday and Sunday
- Calibrating and lubricating the equipment
- Includes all emergency and non-emergency service
- Response Time: - Contractor's FSE must respond with a phone call to the COR or his/her designee within two (2) hours after receipt of telephoned notification twenty-four (24) hours per day. If the problem cannot be corrected by phone, the FSE will commence work (on-site physical response) within forty-eight (48) hours after receipt of this second notification and will proceed progressively to completion without undue delay.
- Reviewing operating system software diagnostics
- The contractor shall perform a walk-through with the COR after each visit.
- Testing and replacing faulty and worn parts and/or parts likely to become faulty, fail or become worn
- The contractor shall use new original equipment manufacturer (OEM) parts. All parts shall be of current manufacture and have complete versatility with the presently installed equipment. All parts shall perform identically to the original equipment specifications.

NOTE 1: Contractor shall be an authorize Contractor, trained technician, possess licenses and certification for proprietary equipment and services to meet all government requirements and objectives.

NOTE 2: Contractor shall be an OEM authorized dealer, authorized distributor or authorized reseller for the proposed equipment and/or services contracts for maintenance of equipment (i.e. replacement parts), verified by an authorization letter or other documents from the OEM, such that the OEM's warranty and service are provided and maintained by the OEM. All software licensing, warranty and service associated with the supplies, equipment and/or services contracts for maintenance of equipment shall be in accordance with the OEM terms and conditions.

NOTE 3: The delivery of gray market items to the VA in the fulfillment of an order/award constitutes a breach of contract. Accordingly, the VA reserves the right enforce any of its contractual remedies. This includes termination of the contract or, solely at the VA's election, allowing the Contractor to replace, at no cost to the Government, any remanufactured or gray market item(s) delivered to a VA facility upon discovery of such items.

Information received will be considered solely for the purpose of determining whether or not to conduct a competitive procurement. A determination by the Government not to compete this proposed purchase order based upon response to this notice is solely within the discretion of the

Government. No reimbursement for any cost connected with providing capability information will be provided.

Questions regarding this notice should be sent to Contracting Officer Anthony Marion no later than March 15, 2019 by 9:00am (cst) at anthony.marion2@va.gov.