INTENT TO SOLE SOURCE

The South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control is seeking qualified vendors to provide a full-service preventive maintenance plan for the existing Biomerieux Vitek MS instrument, which is specifically designed to identify mycobacteria in clinical isolates for SC DHEC's Mycobacteriology Laboratory.

The total estimated dollar amount of the purchase is \$64,687.50.

Qualified vendors should contact Anita Blount at (803) 898-2698 or <u>blountam@dhec.sc.gov</u> by 5:00 PM ET on July 6, 2023.

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 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 or
- (b) by post or delivery to: 1201 Main Street, Suite 600, Columbia, SC 29201.