Francis Marion University Purchasing Office PO Box 100547 Florence, SC 29502-0547

Notice of Intent to Award Posting Date: 10/13/2023

This is a statement of intent to award a contract and becomes the official statement of award effective at 8:30 am EST on October 30, 2023, unless otherwise suspended or cancelled. Unless otherwise provided in the solicitation, the final statement of award serves as acceptance of your offer.

Contractor should not perform work or incur any costs associated with the contract prior to the effective date of the contract. Contractor should not perform work prior to the receipt of a purchase order from Francis Marion University. The University assumes no liability for any expenses incurred prior to the effective date of the contract and issuance of a purchase order.

Solicitation:	IFB-2429	
Description:	IFB-2429- Furnish, deliver, and assemble an Inductively Coupled Plasma Mass	
	Spectromet	ry System for Francis Marion University.
Issue Date:	09/19/2023	
Opening Date/Time:	10/13/2023 at 2:00 pm EST	
Award To:	Name:	Thermo Electron North America LLC
	Address:	1400 Northpoint Pkwy, STE 10
		West Palm Beach, Florida 33407

Evaluated Amount: All-inclusive cost for furnishing, delivery, installation, and warranty of an Inductively Coupled Plasma Mass Spectrometry System as specified by FMU at <u>\$125,328.66</u>.

Any actual bidder, offeror, contractor, or subcontractor who is aggrieved in connection with the intended award or award of a contract shall notify the appropriate chief procurement officer in writing of its intent to protest within seven business days of the date that award or notification of intent to award, whichever is earlier, is posted and sent in accordance with this code. Any actual bidder, offeror, contractor, or subcontractor who is aggrieved in connection with the intended award or award of a contract and has timely notified the appropriate chief procurement officer of its intent to protest, may protest to the appropriate chief procurement officer in the manner stated in subsection (2) within fifteen days of the date award or notification of intent to award, whichever is earlier, is posted and sent in accordance with this code; except that a matter that could have been raised pursuant to sub item (a) as a protest of the solicitation may not be raised as a protest of the award or intended award of a contract.

PROTEST – CPO ADDRESS – MMO: Any protest must be addressed to the Chief Procurement Officer, Materials Management Office, and submitted in writing

- (a) by email to protest-mmo@mmo.sc.gov,
- (b) by facsimile at 803-737-0639, or
- (c) by post or delivery to:

CHIEF PROCUREMENT OFFICER MATERIALS MANAGEMENT OFFICE 1201 MAIN STREET, SUITE 600 COLUMBIA, S.C. 29201

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