Notice of Intent to Sole Source

Posting Date: June 11, 2025

Francis Marion University seeks to sole source the procurement of cable television service for the University.

Current situation:

Francis Marion University purchased TV cable and fiber infrastructure in 2012. Since that time the University has operated under contract with Time Warner Cable / Spectrum Enterprise.

Intent to Sole Source:

Spectrum / TWC has been providing cable service to the University since the cable infrastructure was installed in 2012. A move to a different vendor for this entertainment service to the University would require an investment in unnecessarily new infrastructure at the university. The University continues to provide cable service to common areas and academic/administrative locations to ensure continuous service, particularly to those areas which cannot support WAPs infrastructure. The existing agreement also includes a digital solution that resident students can access via the existing Wi-Fi. The cost for the proposed period of service to the University (July 2025 through June 2026) is $91,548.00.

Company Specifics:

Spectrum Enterprise (Time Warner Cable)
3232 Bryson Drive
Florence, SC 29501

Contact Person for this Intent to Sole Source:

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http://www.fmarion.edu/about/solicitationsawards

Contact deadline: June 25, 2025 11:59 pm EST

Unless additional pertinent information is forthcoming, Award will be posted at the following physical address and website address on June 26, 2025:

Francis Marion University
Purchasing Office
Stokes Administration Building, Room 102
4822 East Palmetto Street
Florence, SC 29506
www.fmarion.edu/about/solicitationsawards

If you are aggrieved in connection with the solicitation or award of the contract, you may be entitled to protest, but only as provided in Section 11-35-4210. To protest a solicitation, you must submit a protest within fifteen days of the date the applicable solicitation document is issued. To protest an award, you must (i) submit notice of your intent to protest within seven business days of the date the award notice is posted, and (ii) submit your actual protest within fifteen days of the date the award 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. See clause entitled "Protest-CPO". 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.

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