

	Piedmont Technical College NOTICE OF INTENT TO SOLE SOURCE	Sole Source # Date Issued Closing Date Procurement Officer Phone E-Mail Address	SS-23015 01/12/2023 01/19/2023 Brian K. McKenna (864) 941-8314 mckenna.b@ptc.edu
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Based on the following determination, it is the intent of Piedmont Technical College (PTC) to proceed with the proposed procurement action described below pursuant to the authority of §11-35-1560 (A) of the SC Consolidated Procurement Code, in accordance with Regulation 19-445.2105 (B)(5).

PTC intends to negotiate and procure a Sole Source Procurement from:

Technical Training Aids
2076 Valleydale Terrace
Birmingham, AL 35244

- One (1) SES GO1 EDU AI Quadruped Robot with AI

Stokes Educational Services (SES) is the Sole Source for all SES Unitree Robotics Education Packages. Technical Training Aids is the Exclusive Representative for SES in South Carolina.

The SES STEMbotics curriculum included in these packages were written and developed by SES and SES owns the copywrite. SES is the North America distributor for all SES GO1 EDU AI Quadruped Robots with AI manufactured by Unitree and is the Sole Source for these models.

Piedmont Technical College believes this is the only vendor capable of providing this product with these characteristics. This notice of Intent to Sole Source is to determine the availability of alternate vendors capable of providing the products/services outlined herein.

Estimated Value: \$ >\$25,000 but <\$50,000

Questions: Shall be addressed to the **e-mail address** of the Procurement Officer indicated above. This notice will be posted in the South Carolina Business Opportunities (SCBO) Newsletter for five business days as required by §11-35-1560 of the SC Consolidated Procurement Code.

Closing Date: Alternate vendors capable of providing these products/services must respond by email to Brian K. McKenna, Procurement Manager, at mckenna.b@ptc.edu no later than 5:00 PM on January 19, 2023.

PROTESTS (MAY 2019) If you are aggrieved in connection with the intended award of this contract, you may be entitled to protest, but only as provided in §11-35-4210. To protest an intended award of a contract pursuant to §11-35-1560, you shall (i) notify the chief procurement officer in writing of your intent to protest within five (5) business days of the date this intent to award is posted, and (ii) if the appropriate chief procurement officer has been timely notified of your intent to protest, you may submit your actual protest within fifteen days of the date this notice of intent to award is posted. Days are calculated as provided in §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, Information Technology Management Office, and submitted in writing (a) by email to: protest-itmo@itmo.sc.gov or (b) by post or delivery to: 1201 Main Street, Suite 600, Columbia, SC 29201.

Unless otherwise suspended or cancelled, PTC will purchase these items. Contractor should not perform any work on or incur any costs associated with this notice prior to the receipt of a purchase order. PTC assumes no liability for any expenses incurred prior to issuance of a purchase order.

The Drug-Free Workplace certification must be obtained for Sole Source procurements greater than \$50,000.00.