

DETERMINATION AND FINDINGS

FOR

SOLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT

Agency: Office of the Chief Medical Examiner
Contractor: American Board of Forensic Toxicology
Solicitation#: RQ. 747402
Caption: ABFT Certification

Findings

1. Authorization

D.C. Code Section 2-303.05(a)(1) and 27 Section DCMR 1700.2(a).

2. Minimum Need

The Office of the Chief Medical Examiner (OCME) has an immediate need for Certification from the American Board of Forensic Toxicology.

3. Estimated/Reasonable Cost

The estimated reasonable cost is \$ 3,500.

4. Facts that Justify a Sole Source Procurement

The American Board of Forensic Toxicology (ABFT) is the only organization that can provide the ABFT accreditation. The Office of the Chief Medical Examiner submitted an application in FY'10. The Laboratory has successfully achieved initial review of the application. The accreditation will provide assurance in legal proceedings that the Laboratory provides forensically defensible data. The resulting ABFT accreditation also represents a successful achievement in multiple proficiency testing programs.

ERTIFICATION BY CONTRACTING OFFICER

I have reviewed the above findings and certify that they are sufficient to justify the use of the sole source method of procurement under the cited authority. I certify that the sole source notice of intent to Award a Sole Source Contract was posted on the OCP

website and no valid responses were received regarding the posting. I recommend that the Contracting Officer approve the use of the sole source procurement method for this proposed contract.

Date

Jerome Johnson

Contracting Officer

Date

Courtney Lattimore

Commodity Manager