

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Department of Employment Services

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**DETERMINATION AND FINDINGS
FOR A
SOLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT**

CONTRACT NO:

CAPTION: Pre-Apprenticeship Training

PROPOSED CONTRACTOR: The Electrical Local No. 26 Joint Apprenticeship and Training Trust Fund

PROGRAM AGENCY: Department of Employment Services

FINDINGS

1. AUTHORIZATION:

D.C. Official Code §2-354.04, 27 DCMR 1304, 1700 and 1701

2. MINIMUM NEED:

The Department of Employment Services, on behalf of the Office of Apprenticeship Information and Training, has a need to provide pre-apprenticeship training to 30 District of Columbia residents, who are enrolled in Employment Programs and Monitoring. Training will include job readiness preparation, on the job training (OJT), and classroom instruction in the electrical trade.

3. ESTIMATED REASONABLE PRICE:

\$22,108.46

4. FACTS WHICH JUSTIFY SOLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT:

The Electrical Local No. 26 Joint Apprenticeship and Training Trust Fund is the only available source in the greater Washington, D.C. metropolitan area able to provide training in the electrical trade and guarantee graduates acceptance as apprentices or unsubsidized employment in the electrical trade.

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The Washington, D.C. Joint Apprenticeship and Training Committee (JATC) is the apprenticeship administrative entity of the International Brotherhood of the Electrical Workers (IBEW), Local No.26 and the Washington, D.C. Chapter of National Electrical Contractors Association (NECA) and is responsible for all apprenticeship operations of the union electrical trade within the greater Washington, D.C. metropolitan area, including providing the opportunity for successful graduates to apply to become regular apprentices. There are over 250 signatory electrical contractors in the International Brotherhood of the Electrical Workers (IBEW) Local Union No. 26 that will employ many of the graduates as apprentices.

The Electrical Local No. 26 Joint Apprenticeship and Training Trust Fund have extensive experience in the delivery of pre-apprenticeship training. During the past seven (7) years, the Electrical Local No.26 Joint Apprenticeship and Training Trust Fund has trained in excess of 128 District of Columbia residents in the electrical trade and all were accepted as registered apprentices in the union's apprenticeship program.

The training is essential to qualify 30 District of Columbia residents, many of whom may have some barriers to employment and meeting eligibility requirements for selection as electrician apprentices. The training term is 18 weeks. All graduates will have the opportunity to be accepted as apprentices by the Joint Apprenticeship and Training Committee (JATC).

Considering the above facts, the proposed method of procurement is in the best interest of the District. It also serves an essential public purpose, inasmuch as unemployed District residents will have an opportunity for gainful employment through receipt of this training.

In consideration of the above, a market survey was conducted and it was determined that based on the District's goal to maintain continuity of services and the fact that no other

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vendor was found that could provide the similar services, procurement from this vendor is in the best interest of the District to serve the welfare of its customers.

5. CERTIFICATION BY AGENCY HEAD:

I hereby certify that the above findings are true, correct and complete.

Date

Lisa Mallory
Director, Department of Employment Services

6. CERTIFICATION 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 notice of intent to award a sole source contract was published in accordance with 27 DCMR 1304 and that [no response was received. I recommend that the Chief Procurement Officer approve the use of the sole source procurement method for this proposed contract.

Date

Maryann Carroll
Contracting Officer

DETERMINATION

Based on the above findings and in accordance with the cited authority, I hereby determine that it is not feasible or practical to invoke the competitive solicitation process under either Section 402 or 403 of the District of Columbia Procurement Practices Reform Act of 2010 (D.C. Law 18-371; D.C. Official Code § 2-354.02 or 2-354.03). Accordingly, I determine that the District is justified in using the sole source method of procurement.

Date

James D. Staton, Jr.
Chief Procurement Officer