UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA

September 14, 2012

INTENT TO AWARD

This is a statement of intent to award a contract and becomes the official statement of award effective **8:00 A.M. September 25, 2012,** unless otherwise suspended or canceled. Vendors are cautioned not to begin work on the contract or incur any costs associated with the contract prior to the effective date of the contract. The University of South Carolina assumes no liability for the expenses incurred by vendors prior to the effective date of the contract.

Bidder's right to protest as listed in section 11-35-4210 in the South Carolina Consolidated Procurement Code applies to this award. Protest to be filed with:

> Chief Procurement Officer
> Materials Management Office
> 1201 Main Street, Suite 600
> Columbia, SC 29201
> Facsimile: 803- 737-0639
> Email: protest-mmo@mmo.state.sc.us

Solicitation Number:	**USC-FPB-2300-RB**
Issue Date:	**August 20, 2012**
Opening Date:	**September 11, 2012 at 3:00 P.M. edst**
Description:	**Provide Specialty & Research Gases & Supplies as required for the USC Campus**
Awarded to:	**Praxair** **1939 Bluff Rd.** **Columbia, SC 29201**
Item #1: Provide specialty & research gases Item #2: Provide supplies	40% discount 40% discount
	Airgas National Welders **1639 Shop Rd.** **Columbia, SC 29201**
Item #1: Provide specialty & research gases	Group A Hydrogen: 75% discount

Item #2: Provide supplies

Group B Argon, Carbon Dioxide, Nitrogen, Oxygen:
65% discount
Group C: Air: 50% discount
Group D: Helium: 30% discount
Mixed Gases: 2 part, 3 part 45% discount
Electronic Grade ULSI: Chlorine,
Hydrogen, Hydrogen Chloride, Nitrogen, Methane, Blue
Ammonia, Silane 35% discount
Supplies: Regulators, Manifolds, Fittings, Gas Cabinets,
Control Equipment 30% discount
Safety Items: 40% discount
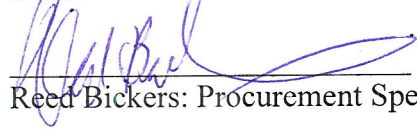
Estimated Potential Value of Contract: Not to exceed $1,500,000.00 which is the accreditation limit of the University

Initial Contract Period: September 25, 2012 – September 24, 2013
Maximum Contract Period: September 25, 2012 – September 24, 2017

Reed Bickers: Procurement Specialist II