

Posting Date: February 20, 2020

INTENT TO AWARD

This is a statement of intent to award a contract that becomes the official statement of award effective Tuesday, March 3, 2020 unless otherwise suspended or canceled. Vendors are encouraged 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 any expenses incurred by vendors prior to the effective date of the contract.

Contractor should not perform work on or incur any costs associated with the contract prior to the effective date of the contract. Contractor should not perform any work prior to the receipt of a purchase order from the using governmental unit. The State assumes no liability for any expenses incurred prior to the effective date of the contract and issuance of a purchase order.

If you are aggrieved in connection with the award of the contract, you may be entitled to protest, but only as provided in Section 11-35-4210. 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 <u>protest-mmo@mmo.sc.gov</u>, (b) by facsimile at 803-737-0639, or (c) by post or delivery to 1201 Main Street, Suite 600, Columbia, SC 29201.

Solicitation Number:	USC-IFB-3584-AS
Issue Date:	January 6, 2020
Opening Date:	February 6, 2020
Description:	Furnish, Deliver and Install Reactive Ion Etching Machine and Plasma Cleaner Cleaning System Equipment
Awarded To:	SAMCO INC. ATTN: Tobin McGee 2302 Walsh Avenue Santa Clara, CA 95091

Evaluated Amount: \$210,732.00

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