



## **Suspended Intent to Award**

**Posting Date: October 3, 2019**

The University of South Carolina intends to award contract noted below. Unless otherwise suspended or canceled, this document becomes the final Statement of Award effective **8:00 AM, October 9, 2019**.

Contractor should not perform work on or incur any costs associated with contract prior to the effective date of the contract. The University of South Carolina assumes no liability for any expenses incurred prior to the effective date of the contract and issuance of a purchase order.

Bidder's right to protest as listed 11-35-4230 in the South Carolina Consolidate Procurement Code applies to this award. Protest must be addressed to the Chief Procurement Officer, Materials Management Office, and submitted in writing:

(a) by email to [protest-mmo@mmo.sc.gov](mailto:protest-mmo@mmo.sc.gov)

(b) by post or delivery to: 1201 Main Street, Suite 600, Columbia, SC 29201.

Solicitation Number: **USC-RFP-3491-CH**  
Issue Date: **June 10, 2019**  
Opening Date: **July 1, 2019**  
Description: **Assess Data Centers and Distribution Sites**  
Initial Contract Term: **October 9, 2019 through March 9, 2020**  
Maximum Contract Term: **October 9, 2019 through March 9, 2020**  
Awarded To: **International Business Machines**  
**ATTN: Doug Surrett**  
**550 Assembly St**  
**Columbia, SC 29201-4144**

**Estimated Potential Value of Contract: \$115,000.00**

**Evaluated Amount: \$115,000.00**

**The above notification of Intent to Award is hereby suspended pending an administrative hearing in response to a protest filed.**

**Caleisha Hayes, J.D.**  
**Procurement Manager**