

JUSTIFICATION FOR AWARD WITHOUT COMPETITION

(To be completed and submitted by the Office of Procurement)

Based upon the following determination, the proposed procurement action described below is being procured pursuant to the authority of Section 11-35-1560 of the SC Procurement Code and 19-445.2105 of the Rules and Regulations, 1976 SC Code of Laws.

Why does the governmental body need this item or service: (description of the agency need that this procurement meets):

Replacing our current Opus Bookeye 4V1, which was purchased in 2013. This equipment is over 10 years old, has outdated features, and can no longer be supported. We must continue digitizing physical collections from the regions' archival collections to provide free public digital access to the materials.

As a sole source procurement for \$ 55,050.00

from (name of sole source contractor): Image Access Inc.

Description of market research Agency has performed to determine the availability of products or services that would meet the Agency's needs:

Market research through Procurement IQ and GovSpend did not provide any findings. However, research using Google verified that Image Access, Inc. developed and owns the worldwide rights to production digitization software sold under the OPUS FREEFLOW LITE, OPUS FREEFLOW and OPUS FREEFLOW MD names. Opus software products are sold exclusively through their direct sales organization, the Digital Library Systems Group, a division of Image Access Inc.

Description of supplies, construction, information technology, and/or services Vendor will provide under the contract:

Opus & Bookeye 5 V1A Color 600 dpi scanner for wide format book scanning and digitization projects. Includes Opus FreeFlow digitization software, shipping, installation, institutional discount, and annual maintenance.

Detailed explanation why no other vendor's supplies, construction, information technology, and/or services will meet the needs of the Agency:

The Bookeye 5 V1A is the scanner of choice for wide format book scanning and for digitization projects which require formats more than DIN A1+, up to 25x36 inches. It is the fastest A1+ book scanner on the market and is extremely book-friendly, and safe. It has the lowest possible footprint in the industry for a desktop model A1+ book scanner, and is the only scanner with a motorized, height-adjustable glass top which can be opened to any user-defined angle. The book cradle needs no motors. Because the book cradle is fixed, it can support any book weighing up to 30kg or 65lbs. The book cradle plates can be separated to accommodate books with spines up to 20cm / 8in widths. A flexible fabric bridges the gap between the individual plates, allowing it to provide optimal support for damaged spines. Its scan bed cradle is the most versatile in the industry, supporting fully opened books at 180° - with or without the glass plate - as well as partially opened books via its V-shaped book cradle, an all-in-one device. • 25"x 36" (635 x 914 mm) scan bed (16% > than DIN A1) • Maximum book thickness 200mm • High-res. CCD image sensors. • Auto Focus 150mm • Dynamic focusing with exclusive center of lens light path • 100 – 600 DPI resolution • 48/24-bit Color with ICC Color Profiling Test Targets • 16/8-bit grayscale, bitonal, enhanced half tone • Two motorized light bars with high illumination LED lighting • Soft non-metallic surface for delicate original materials • Integrated motor-driven book cradle with 4" vertical motion • Interface: Scan2Net - 1000-megabit TPC/IP • 1400 book and flat mode with glass plate and foot pedal • Laser Check book curve correction, content location, deskew, page splitting, rotation, despeskle • Formats: TIFF uncompressed, TIFF G4, TIFF Multipage, JPG, JP2, PDF, PDF/A, PDF Searchable (ABBYY OCR), BMP, PNM, PNG, PCX, JBG, and more. • 2.1 sec/300 DPI A1 Color scan speed (4.1 sec/600 DPI A1) • No infrared or ultraviolet emissions • Interface Scan2Net® 1

In accordance with the South Carolina Consolidated Procurement section 11-35-1560 - Sole Source, the College of Charleston announced the intent to award without Competition. No protests were received.

Solicitation# 25.73.JCB.SS

Contract Expiration Date: 01/09/2026

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Date

If this procurement is \$50,000 or greater, the Drug Free Workplace Act (§ 44-107-10, et Seq. Code of Laws of SC) applies, the acceptance of a Purchase Order signifies the Vendor certification that they are in compliance with the Drug Free Workplace Act.

6-Digit Index Number: 130001

6-Digit Account Code: 770115

NIGP 3-Digit Commodity Code: 204

Buyer's Initials JCB