

MEMO FOR RECORD
Sole Source Determination – Clarivate Analytics LLC
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The Department of Energy, Office of Scientific and Technical Information (OSTI), Oak Ridge, TN, intends to award a sole source firm-fixed price purchase order to Clarivate Analytics LLC for an institutional site license to the InCites Benchmarking & Analytics (B&A) web-based research evaluation tool and Journal and Highly Cited Data. The purchase order will be awarded to the incumbent vendor, Clarivate Analytics LLC, for one (1) one-year base year and four (4) one-year option periods.

The subscription period is by calendar year, 1/1/2023-12/31/2023. Access is restricted to the Office of Science (3 sites.) DOE is provided with a direct link to the website which is listed on the OSTI.gov website under the pulldown tab labeled research tools via the SCE Journals link button. This access provides for a large customer (Office of Science, Management and Staff) user base, however, it is not publically accessible. Authentication occurs via a predefined list of IP addresses. Access is restricted to the Office of Science. Contractor shall provide updated listings of access as changes occur throughout the subscription period. Access to the research evaluation tool is only accessible through a subscription from Clarivate Analytics LLC. Market research identified no businesses who were able to provide the required access. Therefore, Clarivate Analytics LLC is the sole source for procurement of the subscription.

Since a determination has been made that there is no expectation of competition for this order and in accordance with FAR Part 6.302-1 -- Only One Responsible Source and No Other Supplies or Services Will Satisfy Agency Requirements -- (b)(1)(i) "unique supplies or services available from only one source or only one supplier with unique capabilities" -- it is determined to be in the best interest of the Government to award a purchase order to Clarivate Analytics LLC, for one base year in the amount of \$10,583.79. The rate for the four one-year option year periods has a 1% annual escalation. The total contract amount is \$56,190.77. The Contracting Officer determined only one reasonable source was available for this procurement.

Mary Halterman, Contracting Officer

Date