

SOLE SOURCE DETERMINATION

The Purchasing Division has been requested to approve a sole source purchase for the commodity or service described below. Pursuant to West Virginia Code 5A-3-10c, the Purchasing Division is attempting to determine whether the commodity or service is a sole source procurement. If you believe your company meets the required experience and qualification criteria stated below, please e-mail the Purchasing Division Buyer at frank.m.whittaker@wv.gov with a copy to Krista.s.ferrell@wv.gov to express your interest in the project. Please forward any and all information that will support your company's compliance with required qualification and eligibility criteria along with any other pertinent information relative to this project to the Purchasing Division no later than 1:30 PM on 8/12/10.

Requisition Number: DNR211010 Department/Agency: Commerce/Natural Resources

Detailed Description of Project: Vendor must provide Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) testing, analysis of CWD results pertaining to population dynamics of white-tailed deer and other cervids, and provide CWD expertise as needed.

Proposed Sole Source Vendor: University of Georgia, Southeastern Cooperative Wildlife Disease Study.

Specific Eligibility Criteria: Vendor must be certified from the United States Department of Agriculture to perform CWD testing. Vendor must provide a holistic approach to wildlife disease testing and CWD which incorporates implications to population dynamics of white-tailed deer and elk in the eastern United States.

Specific Qualification Criteria: Vendor must supply raw optical density values for enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay (ELISA) tests to agency's disease specialist. Vendor must provide an evaluation of testing criteria. Vendor must supply agency's disease specialist with color pictures and field procedures for obtaining correct samples. Vendor must be willing to provide field and technical expertise in relation to sampling design and testing. Vendor must synthesize analysis of results for agency's wildlife biologists. Vendor must have at least two (2) Ph.D. in wildlife management or wildlife diseases on staff to advise meaning of results from the perspective of white-tailed deer and elk population implications. Vendor must be willing to allow agency's wildlife disease expert access to their lab and testing facility. Vendor must provide intergraded meaning of the results to agency's wildlife disease expert as it pertains to clinical cases and population dynamics. Vendor must be willing to accept a minimum of 1,000 CWD samples over a two week period in late November and early December. In addition, vendor must test additional samples throughout the year.