## 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 <u>frank.m.whittaker@wv.gov</u> with a copy to <u>w.michael.sheets@wv.gov</u> 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 04/25/2012.

Requisition Number: AGR1229

Department/Agency: Agriculture

## **Detailed Description of Project:**

The West Virginia Department of Agriculture is requesting the purchase and implementation of USAHERDS to compliment and interact with our existing USALIMS laboratory software. The goal of this implementation is to allow us to track program management and animal disease incident management in a broader and more consise form by allowing access to animal testing and resulting from multiple broad localities.

## Proposed Sole Source Vendor:

Computer Aid Inc. 470 Friendship Road Harrisburg, PA 17111

## Specific Eligibility Criteria:

CAI was the original architect for all AgraGuard products and is currently the the only software distributor that provides a seamless integration between our current USALIMS infrastructure. CAI provides dedicated subject matter experts for development, implementation, and enhancements to our existing infrastructure. CAI provides the benefit of a consortium of clients/states that allow members to benefit from a cost sharing initiative for product enhancements.

Specific Qualification Criteria:

• CAI provides the only system with seamless integration between our current USALIMS laboratory infrastructure including, but not limited to, test results, program management, and animal diseases incident management.

- Implementation with CAI will allow the WVDA to continue a group sharing model between a large Consortium of states. This model allows to implement enhancements at a much lower price point by spreading the cost across multiple consortium members. It will also allow the WVDA to receive enhancements that are paid for by other members at no additional cost.
- USAHERDS implementation will allow us to receive multiple major updates to the existing software package that allows us to change our processes and workflows as environment variables change.
- USAHERDS provides the only system that allows GIS Integration to provide mapping and reporting capabilities in the event of a disease incident.
- USAHERDS provides us with ability for tracking incident management resources, premises, and animals involved with agricultural incidents.
- USAHERDS will allow us to capture Health Certificates digitally and process these to the Global VetLink.
- USAHERDS allows the capture and import of current Veterinarian information from USALIMS and also their practive/clinic associations.
- USAHERDS provides multiple license modules(e.g. Animal Brands, Meat Establishments, etc.).
- USAHERDS allows us to definitively detail movement/event tracking and also genealogical data and also the treatment and vaccination history of the events.