

**Notice Type:**  
Special Notice:

**NAICS:**  
511120

**Solicitation #:**  
163P1201684

**Sole Source Authority:**  
FAR 6.302-1

**Reason for Sole Source:**  
Only one responsible source and no other supplies or services will satisfy agency requirements.

**Anticipated Award Date:**  
September 4, 2012

**Synopsis:**

The United States Patent & Trademark Office (USPTO) intends to award a sole-source purchase order in the amount of \$160,437.00 for Expert Opinion historical archives to Informa HealthCare, Inc., Sheepen PL, Colchester CO3, 3LP, Essex, GBR for one year in accordance with FAR 6.302-1 (only one responsible source and no other supplies or services will satisfy agency requirements). The North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) is 511120. This is not a solicitation nor will a solicitation be issued in regards to this announcement. Therefore, no RFQ will be issued as a result.

In accordance with FAR 6.302-1, USPTO has a continuing need to the historical archives provided by Informa Healthcare. Patent examining is historically known for its need of older prior art; therefore, access to back file(s) is critical to the patent examining process. Disruption in services would severely impact the work of the patent examiners. Informa HealthCare offers a unique service, which other vendors cannot replicate and is therefore the only source available that can provide the required service within the required timelines.

**Award Amount:**  
\$160,437.00

**Period of Performance:**  
September 4, 2012 through September 3, 2013

**Primary Point of Contact:**

The point of contact for information regarding this sources sought request is Stacy Duncan at (571) 272-2796. Responses can be sent to the USPTO, Office of Procurement, via E-Mail referencing the Synopsis 163P1201684 to [stacy.duncan@uspto.gov](mailto:stacy.duncan@uspto.gov) no later than (NLT) 5:00 P.M., local time of the Contracting Officer, Alexandria, VA on Thursday, August 30, 2012.