

## INTENT TO SOLE SOURCE

The South Carolina Department of Health & Environmental Control (DHEC) plans to increase an existing Sole Source contract with Qiagen LLC to provide test kits, reagents and supplies for COVID wastewater testing utilizing nanoplate digital PCR for the absolute quantification of the amount of COVID in the samples. For consistency in testing, results, and reporting utilizing 3 separate instruments that perform the extraction, plating, amplification, and analysis, the testing deliverables must be Qiagen products. The estimated total cost of the contract is \$100,000.

Qualified vendors should contact Rebecca Nichols via email at [NICHOLRJ@dhec.sc.gov](mailto:NICHOLRJ@dhec.sc.gov) by Midnight, May 30, 2023 for additional information.

**PROTESTS:** If you are aggrieved in connection with the intended award or award of the contract, you may be entitled to protest, but only as provided in Section 11-35-4210. To protest an award, you must (i) submit notice of your intent to protest within five (5) business days of the date this notice is posted, and (ii) submit your actual protest within fifteen days of the date this notice is posted. Days are calculated as provided in Section 11-35-310(13). Both protests and notices of intent to protest must be in writing and must be received by the appropriate Chief Procurement Officer within the time provided. The grounds of the protest and the relief requested must be set forth with enough particularity to give notice of the issues to be decided. Any protest or notice of intent to protest must be addressed to the Chief Procurement Officer, Materials Management Office, and submitted in writing (a) by email to: [protest-mmo@mmo.state.sc.us](mailto:protest-mmo@mmo.state.sc.us) or (b) by post or delivery to: 1201 Main Street, Suite 600, Columbia, SC 29201.