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**Justification & Approval
For Other Than Full & Open
Competition/Brand Name**

USITC - 052 (Rev. 8/2016)

REQUISITION NUMBER: 6100-OARS-17-0032

1. CONTRACTING OFFICE

U.S. International Trade Commission
Office of Procurement
500 E Street, SW
Washington, DC 20436

REQUIRING OFFICE

U.S. International Trade Commission
Office of Analysis and Research Services
500 E Street, SW
Washington, DC 20436

2. NATURE/DESCRIPTION OF ACTION(S)

Sole Source

In accordance with FAR Subpart 6.303-2, this justification for other than full and open competition will result in award of a sole source contract to Informa UK, Ltd.

3. DESCRIPTION OF SUPPLIES/SERVICES (Check box below:)

This requirement is to purchase:

Renewal of recurring requirement for a subscription to World Ethanol & Biofuels Report for the Agriculture and Fisheries Division (AF).

- ☐ Support services (non-R&D)
☐ Supplies/equipment
☒ Information technology (IT)
☐ Other (specify):

4. ESTIMATED CONTRACT VALUE

5. ANTICIPATED PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE/ DELIVERY DATE

Period of Performance

March 30, 2017

to

March 29, 2018

Options Through:



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6. STATUTORY AUTHORITY

Sole Source

FAR Subpart 6.302-1 and 41 U.S.C. 253(c)(1): When the supplies or services required by the agency are available from the only one responsible source, and no other type of supplies or services will satisfy agency requirements, full and open competition need not be provided for.

7. DEMONSTRATION OF CONTRACTOR OR BRAND UNIQUE QUALIFICATIONS

This subscription sets itself apart by having a unique report on World ethanol and Biofuels which is an exclusive publication of Informa UK, Ltd. This report provides information and data required for the Agriculture and Fishries division to assist and help fulfill its statutory and non-statutory requirements as regards to industry sector analysis and reporting. At the moment there are no known peers which provide the same service and because of these reasons Informa UK, Ltd. is positioned to add value to the ITC Agriculture and Fishries Division.

**8. DESCRIPTION OF EFFORTS MADE TO ENSURE OFFERS WERE SOLICITED FROM AS MANY POTENTIAL SOURCES
AS IS PRACTICABLE**

Main library research Online along with end user community efforts, has found no other sources for this unique comprehensive coverage and cost.



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9. DESCRIPTION OF FAIR AND REASONABLE COST

In accordance with FAR Subparts 12.209, 13.106-3, 15.4, it is hereby determined that the anticipated cost or price to the Government for this contract action will be fair and reasonable. The Price Reasonableness Memorandum detailing the Fair and Reasonable Price Determination will be included in the contract file documentation.

10. MARKET RESEARCH

Market Research was conducted in accordance with FAR Part 10, and it was determined that the above stated requirement is not available from other sources.

The Main library routinely invites and solicits demonstrations and trials for the research community for evaluation relative to ongoing and changing requirements. No known peer products exist for this resource at the time.



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11. ANY OTHER FACTS SUPPORTING THE JUSTIFICATION

N/A

12. LISTING OF SOURCES

No other sources.

13. FUTURE PLANS TO PROMOTE COMPETITION

The main Library will periodically review offerings and evaluate the marketplace to ascertain whether other vendors can provide the needed Services.



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14. TECHNICAL PERSONNEL/REQUIRING OFFICE CERTIFICATION

I certify that the facts and representations in this justification, included herein, meet the Government's need and that the supporting data which forms the basis for this justification is complete and accurate

Prepared By: **Print Name:** FOIA EXEMPTION (b)(6)

Requestor/COR

Signature:

Date: 3/24/2017

Approved By: **Print Name:** FOIA EXEMPTION (b)(6)

Office Director/Cost Center Manager

Signature:

Date: 3/24/2017

15. CONTRACTING OFFICER CERTIFICATION

I have received this justification and find it to be accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Approved By: **Print Name:**

Contracting Officer

Signature:

FOIA EXEMPTION (b)(6)

Date:

4/5/2017