

Office of the Illinois State Treasurer

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Sole Source Procurement Notice

Bloomberg Finance L.P.

**I. Introduction**

The Office of the Illinois State Treasurer (“Treasurer”) is issuing this Sole Source Procurement Notice pursuant to Section 2025(e) of the Office of the Treasurer Procurement Rules, 44 Ill. Admin. Code Part 1400.

The Treasurer entered into a contract on April 19, 2011, with Bloomberg Finance L.P. (“Bloomberg”) to provide pricing information for permitted investments as defined by the Deposit of State Moneys Act 15 ILCS 520/22.5, on a daily basis through a file transmission to import into the Treasurer’s current treasury management system (“TMS”). Only Bloomberg was able to offer this service in the required format. Now, the Treasurer seeks to enter into a new two (2) year contract.

**II. Chief Procurement Officer**

The Chief Procurement Officer who will perform this Sole Source Procurement is:

Ms. Maria Oldani  
Chief Procurement Officer  
Illinois State Treasurer’s Office  
1 East Old State Capitol Plaza  
Springfield, IL 62701  
[MOldani@illinoistreasurer.gov](mailto:MOldani@illinoistreasurer.gov)

**III. Name of Proposed Sole Source Vendor**

Bloomberg Finance LP  
731 Lexington Avenue  
New York, NY 10022

**IV. Brief Description of What Vendor Will Do or Provide**

Bloomberg provides pricing information into a specific format that the Treasurer’s staff is able to access and import into its TMS. This format will likely not be required in the next eighteen (18) to twenty-four (24) months as the Treasurer updates its TMS.

**V. Contract Price**

An estimated \$6,000 per month, for a total of \$72,000 per year and \$144,000 over the life of the contract.

**VI. Reason Why Bloomberg is Determined to be the Sole Economically Feasible Source**

The current age and particularities of the Treasurer's TMS dictates that pricing cannot be updated directly into the TMS, but rather downloaded into a specific format. 44 Ill. Adm. Code 1400.2025(b)(1) states that a sole source procurement may be necessary due to "compatibility of equipment, accessories, replacement parts or service." Bloomberg offers a distinct format that the Treasurer's staff requires, and the Treasurer is not aware of another vendor that offers this service. In the next eighteen (18) to twenty-four (24) months, the Treasurer anticipates updating its current TMS. Upon the implementation of the new TMS, the Treasurer plans to put this service out to bid as it will no longer require the same downloaded format. The unique requirements of the older TMS, the short time frame of the service need, the relatively small dollar amount, and that the Treasurer does not anticipate another vendor being interested in changing its processes to meet the Treasurer's requirements make this procurement a sole economically feasible source.