

Office of the Illinois State Treasurer
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Sole Source Procurement Notice

E-Pay

July 1, 2015

I. Introduction:

The Office of the Illinois State Treasurer (“Treasurer”) is issuing this Sole Source Procurement Notice, pursuant to Section 1400.2025 of the Treasurer’s Procurement Rules, 44 Ill. Admin. Code 1400.2025(e).

The Treasurer has an E-Pay e-commerce application that allows the Treasurer’s staff to design and build custom payment websites for E-Pay participants. The application also manages the integration of these custom payment websites with a third party vendor’s credit card collection webpage and participant merchant accounts. The E-Pay e-commerce application was originally designed and built by Marucco, Stoddard, Ferenbach & Walsh, Inc. (“MSF&W”) and has been managed by it. The Treasurer’s contract with MSF&W expired on June 30, 2015.

II. Chief Procurement Officer

The Chief Procurement Officer who will perform this sole source procurement is:

Mr. Jim Underwood
Chief Procurement Officer
Illinois State Treasurer's Office
400 West Monroe, Suite 401
Springfield, IL 72704
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III. Name of proposed sole source vendor

MSF&W Consulting, Inc.
3445 Liberty Drive
Springfield, IL 62704

IV. Brief description of what vendor will do or provide

The proposed Vendor will manage the E-Pay e-commerce application.

V. Contract price

Up to \$40,000.

VI. Reason why vendor was determined to be the sole economically feasible source

MSF&W created, upgraded, and maintained the E-Pay e-commerce application. As a result, it has intimate knowledge of how the application works and the standards necessary for its uninterrupted performance. Procuring a new vendor would lead to higher costs, because a new vendor would require training from MSF&W for transition purposes and would need to spend an inordinate amount of time researching the application code, E-Pay processing procedures, and the third party vendor's integration requirements. Given MSF&W's in-depth knowledge of the E-Pay e-commerce application, it is the sole economically feasible source to manage the application.