



## **Notice of Proposed Sole Source Purchase**

RFx Number: 3150003611

To Provide: Taser 7 Certification + VR Training Simulator Bundle

Issue Date: 5/11/2021

### **Closing Location**

Mississippi Department of Revenue  
500 Clinton Center Drive  
Clinton, MS 39056

### **BID Coordinator**

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### **Closing Date and Time:**

Objections must be received by May 25, 2021 at 12:00 p.m. (CST)

# Mississippi Department of Revenue

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### Axon's TASER 7 Certification + VR Training Simulator Bundle Purchase

#### 1.0 Purpose:

Mississippi Department of Revenue anticipates purchasing the good(s) and service(s) listed below as a sole source purchase. Anyone objecting to this purchase shall follow the procedure outlined below.

1. Describe the commodity that the agency is seeking to be procure:

<b>Axon's TASER 7 Certification + VR Training Simulator Bundle</b>
<b>5 Year Program</b>
<b>5 Years of Hardware</b>
<b>24 TASER 7 CEW Handles</b>
<b>1 TASER 7 CEW on-site spare</b>
<b>24 Safariland holsters with cartridge carrier - 21 right hand 3 left hand</b>
<b>28 Rechargeable Tactical Batteries</b>
<b>1 six bay charging dock</b>
<b>8 single bay charging docks</b>
<b>144 LIVE SO and CQ Cartridges for duty carry</b>
<b>24 Unlimited Duty Cartridge Replenishment licenses</b>
<b>480 LIVE SO and CQ for training</b>
<b>192 HALT SO and CQ for training</b>
<b>1 Halt Suit</b>
<b>1 Rugged Target and Target Frame</b>

2. Explain why the commodity is the only one that can meet the needs of the agency.

The Mississippi Department of Revenue seeks to purchase Axon's TASER 7 Certification + VR Training Simulator bundle which includes hardware, software, accessories and training programs which will help equip the Alcoholic Beverage Control Agents in using the TASER Program.

The use of firearms and the Taser X26Ps is the Alcoholic Beverage Control Agents current method to stop a dangerous suspect. Equipping the agents with the upgraded Conducted Energy Weapons (CEWs) will give the agents the confidence to de-escalate dangerous situations with new components, technology, and features.

The Taser 7 is an upgrade to the current CEW used. The Taser 7 includes redesigned darts with smart probes to improves accuracy, two cartridge types to provide different angles of separation, revamped adaptive cross connect technology to deliver the most effective pulse from the Taser 7, new rapid arc technology, a high-visibility green top laser which enables better daytime targeting and a louder warning arc that serves as an additional deterrent for noncompliant behavior.

**The Taser 7 also features wireless connectivity, rechargeable batteries and a Dock and Walk workflow.**

3. Explain why the source is the only person or entity that can provide the required commodity.

**Axon is the sole manufacturer and distributor for the Taser 7 CEW and related products. See "Attachment A", supporting letter from Axon Enterprise, Inc.**

4. Explain why the amount to be expended for the commodity is reasonable.

**The Taser 7 is only available through AXON and is only available to law enforcement. The amount to be expended for the Taser 7 Certification + VR Training Simulator Bundle will not exceed \$98,784. This includes a total trade in amount of \$9,678. This amount is within the expected price range of this quality of weapon. This is a 5-year program.**

5. Explain the efforts the agency made to obtain the best possible price for the commodity.

**AXON developed the Taser 7 and is the only vendor that distributes it. No other vendor or company can sell this product.**

## **2.0 Sole Source Timeline:**

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| <b>A. First Publication:</b>             | 5/11/2021                 |
| <b>B. Second Publication:</b>            | 5/18/2021                 |
| <b>C. Objection Submission Deadline:</b> | 5/25/2021; 12:00 p.m. CST |

## **3.0 Sole Source Objection Procedures:**

Comments/objections will be received until 12:00 p.m. (Central Time) on May 25, 2021.

Any person or entity that objects and proposes that the service listed is not a sole source and can be provided by another person or entity shall submit Vendor Form OSS "Objection to Sole Source Determination" along with any supporting documentation to:

Erica Green  
SR Contract Analyst  
[erica.green@dor.ms.gov](mailto:erica.green@dor.ms.gov)

**Subject Line must read "Sole Source Objection"**

The objection shall contain a detailed explanation of why the service is not a sole source procurement. Appropriate documentation shall also be submitted if applicable.