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UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

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Washington, DC

**JUSTIFICATION AND APPROVAL**

**OTHER THAN FULL AND OPEN COMPETITION/BRAND NAME**

REQUISITION NUMBER: 6500-OARS-15-0032

1. CONTRACTING OFFICE

United States International Trade Commission  
Office of Procurement  
500 E Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20436

REQUIRING OFFICE

United States International Trade Commission  
**Office of Analysis & Research Services**  
500 E Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20436

2. NATURE/DESCRIPTION OF ACTION(S). 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 firm-fixed price contract to Informa UK, Ltd.
3. DESCRIPTION OF SUPPLIES/SERVICES. This is a renewal of a recurring subscription service for World Ethanol & Biofuels Report for the Agriculture and Fisheries (AF) Division.

Estimated Contract Value

4. STATUTORY AUTHORITY. 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 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.
5. DEMONSTRATION OF CONTRACTOR OR BRAND UNIQUE QUALIFICATIONS

The World Ethanol & Biofuels Report is an exclusive publication of Informa, United Kingdom (UK), Ltd., that provides unique information and data required for use by the AF Division to assist and help fulfill its statutory and non-statutory requirements in regards to industry sector analysis and reporting.

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#### 6. DESCRIPTION OF EFFORTS MADE TO ENSURE THAT OFFERS ARE SOLICITED FROM AS MANY POTENTIAL SOURCES AS IS PRACTICABLE

The Main Library conducted market research online, along with the end users and found no other competing sources for this comprehensive World Ethanol & Biofuels Report. The report is unique because it provided the AF Division with information and data required to assist with statutory and non-statutory requirements regarding the industry sector analysis and reporting data.

#### 7. DETERMINATION OF FAIR AND REASONABLE COST

In accordance with FAR Subparts 12.209, 13.106-3, 15.4, I hereby determine 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.

#### 8. MARKET RESEARCH

Market Research was conducted in accordance with FAR Subpart 10, and it was determined that the above stated requirement is commercially available in the commercial marketplace from only one source.

The Main Library routinely searches the internet, inviting and contacting other research communities to determine if there are other sources capable of providing the information contained in the World Ethanol & Biofuels Report. No other source was found.

#### 9. ANY OTHER FACTS SUPPORTING THE JUSTIFICATION

N/A

#### 10. LISTING OF SOURCES

No other sources.

#### 11. FUTURE PLANS TO PROMOTE COMPETITION

Main Library's staff will periodically review the internet and comparable vendors to ascertain whether or not other publishers can provide the reports required by the Commission.

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12. CONTRACTING OFFICER CERTIFICATION

By signing below "I have reviewed this justification and find it to be accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief."

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

Contracting Officer

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

3/18/15

13. TECHNICAL PERSONNEL CERTIFICATION

By signing below "I certify that the supporting technical data which form a basis for this justification, that are the responsibility of technical or requirements personnel are accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief."

*[Handwritten initials]*

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

Technical Personnel/Contracting Officer Representative (COR)

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

3/19/15

*[Handwritten mark]* **FOIA Exemption (b)(6)**

Approved By: Print Name \_\_\_\_\_

Contracting Officer Representative/Contracting Officer

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**FOIA Exemption (b)(6)**

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