



University of South Carolina

Purchasing Department
1600 Hampton Street, 6th floor
Columbia, SC 29208
Telephone: (803) 777-4115

Request for Quotation

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THIS IS NOT AN ORDER

Quotation must be received No Later Than: 3:00 PM	Send quotation to above address Attention of: Reed Bickers	Quotation Number: USC-RFQ-1412-RB	Date 01 22 2009
02 05 2009			

Print company name and address:

Please quote your lowest delivered price of the item(s) listed below. The Purchasing Department reserves the right to reject any or all quotes and to waive any or all technicalities.

1. If an item cannot be furnished, indicate by **NO QUOTE**.
2. All quotes must be signed by the vendor's representative and terms noted, failure to comply with this instruction may result in disqualification of the quote.
3. **FAXED QUOTES ACCEPTABLE.** FAX # (803) 777-2032

If the product preference is applicable follow these instructions:

Check (X) on the appropriate line: SC End Product _____ US End Product _____ **and** indicate by asterick (*) next to the item number on the bid schedule which preference applies.

NON-RESIDENT VENDORS ONLY: Yes _____ No _____ We have read and applied for (or already have) a non-resident taxpayer affidavit (I-312).

RESIDENT VENDOR PREFERENCE: Yes _____ No _____ SC Resident Vendor Preference as defined in Section 11-35-1524 of the SC Consolidated Procurement Code.

S.C. Address:

Federal I.D. or Social Security No. _____ SC Minority Certification Number (If Applicable) _____

Submitted By (Print Name) _____ Signature _____ Telephone _____

Item No.	Quantity and Unit	Description of Commodity or Services	Unit Price	Total Price
				
1	1 each	Point-of-care blood gas diagnostic analysis system per the enclosed minimal specifications: Attach your supporting documentation and pricing information accordingly. Make: _____ Model: _____ Provide pricing for a minimum 300 test cards included to be ordered as needed.	\$ _____	\$ _____
2	1 lot	Freight to Columbia, SC 29208 with all charges included: TOTAL PRICE: For informational purposes only: State warranty, service agreement terms & price for: (attach as necessary) Year one beyond warranty: _____ Year two beyond warranty: _____ Year three beyond warranty: _____	\$ _____	\$ _____ \$ _____

Specifications for Blood Gas Analysis System

SPECIFICATIONS:	Meets or exceeds:	YES/NO
-Wireless communication system using blue tooth protocol		_____
-Hand held, battery operated PDA unit with standard electrical connections		_____
-Uniquely I.D.'ed test cards with specific bar codes for sample identification		_____
-Uses individual test cards for each sample		_____
-Automated monitoring and integrated calibration of testing process to provide quality assurance on every test card		_____
-Small volume (>92μL) blood sample		_____
-Accommodates fresh whole blood sample from arterial or venous sources, introduced to test card from syringe		_____
-Electrolyte panel measurements consisting of pH, PCO ₂ , Na, K, Ca, Hct		_____
-Electrolyte panel calculations consisting of HCO ₃ , TCO ₂ , Base Excess, sO ₂ , Hb		_____
-Accurate, real-time (within approximately 35 seconds) lab analysis results		_____
-Room temperature storage		_____
-On-site training		_____
-Technical support		_____
-Service agreement		_____



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Service agreement will not be a determining factor in the award.

The quantities shown for the 300 test cards may or may not exceed that number. The University does not guarantee the purchase of any or all.

For reference only: Epocal, 205 Witmer Road, Horsham, PA 19044 904-536-9002

Furnish and deliver new supplies/equipment with on-site training complying with the enclosed description and/or specifications and conditions applicable to this bid/quote notice. (SPM011)

All vendors must include latest catalog and/or specification sheets on items bid. (SPM027)

Award will be made to one vendor for all items.

Vendors must warrant that equipment will be accepted for maintenance by the original manufacturer if vendor is not the manufacturer or does not provide maintenance. (SPM084)

Bid/quote only as specified. (SPM210)

Deliveries shall be F.O.B. Destination, freight prepaid & included with all fuel surcharges/hazardous fees included.

Delivery _____ days ARO

The specifications listed herein are not to be considered restrictive to one source of supply. However, items offered must be equal in quality and performance. The offeror must include with his bid/quote, supporting product data sufficient for the University to determine equality and acceptability. The right is reserved to reject any offering in which the items offered are considered unsatisfactory in any manner. The University will determine if minor deviations from the listed features are acceptable. (SPM022)



STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE
**NONRESIDENT TAXPAYER
REGISTRATION AFFIDAVIT
INCOME TAX WITHHOLDING**

I-312
(Rev. 7/28/06)
3323

Mail to: The company or individual you are contracting with.

The undersigned nonresident taxpayer on oath, being first duly sworn, hereby certifies as follows:

1. Name of Nonresident Taxpayer: _____

2. Trade Name, if applicable (Doing Business As):

3. Mailing Address: _____

4. Federal Identification Number: _____

5. _____ Hiring or Contracting with:
Name: _____

Address: _____

_____ Receiving Rentals or Royalties From:
Name: _____

Address: _____

_____ Beneficiary of Trusts and Estates:
Name: _____

Address: _____

6. I hereby certify that the above named nonresident taxpayer is currently registered with (check the appropriate box):

- ☐ The South Carolina Secretary of State or
☐ The South Carolina Department of Revenue

Date of Registration: _____

7. I understand that by this registration, the above named nonresident taxpayer has agreed to be subject to the jurisdiction of the South Carolina Department of Revenue and the courts of South Carolina to determine its South Carolina tax liability, including estimated taxes, together with any related interest and penalties.

8. I understand the South Carolina Department of Revenue may revoke the withholding exemption granted under Code Sections 12-8-540 (rentals), 12-8-550 (temporarily doing business or professional services in South Carolina), and 12-8-570 (distributions to nonresident beneficiary by trusts or estates) at any time it determines that the above named nonresident taxpayer is not cooperating with the Department in the determination of its correct South Carolina tax liability.

The undersigned understands that any false statement contained herein could be punished by fine, imprisonment or both.

Recognizing that I am subject to the criminal penalties under Code Section 12-54-44 (B) (6) (a) (i), I declare that I have examined this affidavit and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct and complete.

Signature of Nonresident Taxpayer (Owner, Partner or Corporate Officer, when relevant) (Seal) _____ Date

If Corporate officer state title: _____

(Name - Please Print)

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INSTRUCTIONS
NONRESIDENT TAXPAYER REGISTRATION AFFIDAVIT

The form I-312 should be submitted to the company or individual you are contracting with.

This form is not submitted to South Carolina Department of Revenue.

REQUIREMENTS TO MAKE WITHHOLDING PAYMENTS

Code Section 12-8-550 requires persons hiring or contracting with a nonresident taxpayer to withhold 2% of each payment made to the nonresident where the payments under the contract exceed \$10,000. However, this section does not apply to payments on purchase orders for tangible personal property when those payments are not accompanied by services to be performed in this state.

Code Section 12-8-540 requires persons making payment to a nonresident taxpayer of rentals or royalties at a rate of \$1,200 or more a year for the use of or for the privilege of using property in South Carolina to withhold 7% of the total of each payment made to a nonresident taxpayer who is not a corporation and 5% if the payment is made to a corporation.

Code Section 12-8-570 requires trusts or estates making distribution of South Carolina taxable income to a nonresident beneficiary to withhold 7% of the beneficiary's distribution which is attributable to South Carolina taxable income.

PURPOSE OF AFFIDAVIT

A person is not required to withhold taxes for a nonresident taxpayer who submits an affidavit certifying that they are registered with either the South Carolina Secretary of State or the South Carolina Department of Revenue.

Our Internet address is: **www.sctax.org**

GENERAL CONDITIONS

DEFAULT: In case or default by the Contractor, the University of South Carolina reserves the right to purchase any or all items in default in the open market, charging the Contractor with any additional costs. The defaulting Contractor shall not be considered a responsible bidder until the assessed charge has been satisfied.

All amendments to and interpretation of this RFQ shall be in writing. The procurement officer shall not be legally bound by any amendment or interpretation that is not in writing.

SC/US PREFERENCE: In order to receive the South Carolina/United States made, manufactured or grown end-product preference, you must check the appropriate space (s) provided on the face of the quotation form. This preference does not apply to services.

Any contract entered into by the University of South Carolina or its agencies resulting from this quotation shall be subject to cancellation at the end of any fiscal or appropriated year unless otherwise provided by law.

Payment will be made in accordance with Section 11-35-45 of the South Carolina Consolidated Procurement Code and Disbursement Regulations. Delay in receiving invoices, as well as errors and omissions on the invoices, will be considered just cause for withholding payment without losing discount privileges. The University reserves the right to withhold payment or make such deductions as may be necessary to protect the University from loss or damage because of defective work, claims, damages or to pay for repair of correction of materials furnished hereunder.

Quoted prices must remain firm for a period of thirty days beyond the Request for Quotation deadline. Unit prices will govern over extended prices unless otherwise stated.

The University of South Carolina shall consider payment discounts in the award of this contract when such discounts are for thirty days or more after final inspection and acceptance of contract requirements. Payment discounts for less than thirty days are encouraged but shall not be a factor in award determination. Please state your discount terms using the above referenced information as the University's position on the matter.

All materials and products offered must be guaranteed to meet and comply with the requirements all the specifications, terms and conditions indicated or referred to.

The award will be made in accordance with Section 11-35-1520 of the South Carolina Consolidated Procurement Code.

The University reserves the right to reject any and all quotations and to cancel the solicitation; waive any and all technicalities; the University reserves the right to reject any quotation in which the delivery time indicated to be of substantial length to cause disruption and/or delay in operation for which the item(s) is/are intended; ambiguous quotations which are uncertain as to terms, delivery, quantity or compliance with specifications may be rejected.

The successful contractor assumes sole responsibility and shall hold harmless the University of South Carolina, its directors, officers, employees and agents from and against any and all claims, actions or liabilities of any nature which may be asserted against them by third parties in connection with the performance of the successful bidder, its directors, officers, employees and agents under this agreement. The University of South Carolina agrees to accept responsibility for claims, actions or liabilities resulting from negligent acts of its employees occurring within the scope of their employment which may be asserted against them by third parties in connection with the performance of the University of South Carolina, its members, directors, officers, employees and agents under this agreement.

Contractor agrees not to refer to award of this contract in commercial advertising in such a manner to state or imply that the products or service provided are endorsed or preferred by the user.

Upon award of a contract under this quotation, the person, partnership, association or corporation to whom the award is made must comply with the laws of South Carolina that require such person or entity to be authorized and/or licensed to do business in this State. Notwithstanding the fact that applicable statutes may be exempt or exclude the successful quoter from requirements that it be authorized and/or licensed to do business in this State, by submission of this signed quote, the quoter agrees to subject itself to the jurisdiction and process of the courts of the State of South Carolina as to all matters and disputes arising or to arise under the contract and the performance thereof, including any questions as to the liability for taxes, licenses or fees levied by the State.

Termination: Subject to the provisions below, the contractor may be terminated for any reason by the University providing a thirty-day advance notice in writing is given to the contractor.

Termination for Convenience: In the event that this contract is terminated or cancelled upon request and for the convenience of the University may negotiate reasonable termination costs, if applicable.

Termination for Cause: Termination by the University for cause, default, or negligence on the part of the Contractor shall be excluded from the foregoing provisions; termination costs, if any, shall not apply. The thirty day advance notice requirement is waived and the default provision in this bid shall apply.

HIPAA Law: The Contractor agrees that to the extent that some or all of the activities within the scope of this Contract are subject to the Health Insurance Portability Accountability Act of 1996, P.L. 104-91, as amended ("HIPAA"), or its implementing regulations, it will comply with the HIPAA requirements and will execute such agreements and practices as the University of South Carolina may require to ensure compliance. Additional information may be viewed at: <http://www.sc.edu/hipaa/>

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

LICENSES, PERMITS, INSURANCE: All costs for required licenses, permits and insurance shall be borne by the Bidder.

The University of South Carolina requires all contractual activities to be performed in a manner that is consistent with all applicable federal, state and local laws, regulations, rules, rulings and ordinances. These include, but are not limited to: the Occupational safety and Health Act, The Environmental Protection Act, The South Carolina Hazardous Waste Management Act.

IMPORTANT – Please Note

Vendors, we MUST have your Federal ID # (company) or Social Security # (individual) before processing any invoices for payment. Failure to provide this information will result in delay of payments until this information is received. Please include this information with your quote.