



Application for Determination of Sole Source Procurement

This form, with one or more categories completed, must accompany a purchase requisition for equipment, supplies or services exceeding \$20,000. Select the category or categories appropriate for this procurement. Attach all documentation necessary to support the application. Procurements of \$20,000 and greater shall be posted to the NM Tech Purchasing website for the mandatory thirty (30) day period per NMSA 13-1-126.1

Requesting Department:	NMBGMR	End User's Name:	Bonnie Frey
Proposed Contractor:	Accelerated Technology Lab	Estimated Cost:	\$53,103.00
Product Description:	SampleMaster LIMS	Date:	01/31/2024

I am requesting a sole source procurement based on the following reasons:

- Compatibility of existing equipment or supplies; provide details in *Explanation*. Include manufacturer, model number and NMT PCN of existing equipment.
- Item specifically required for use in conjunction with grant or contract. Attach applicable grant or contract page and provide justification of why it is required for grant / contract and why other substitutes are not acceptable.
- Requirement is of a proprietary / copyright / licensing nature which is explained below.
- The requested product has unique design / performance specifications or quality requirements which are essential to my work, research protocol or teaching needs, and are not available in comparable products. Please discuss this uniqueness / performance below.
- NMT Staff has specialized training and / or extensive experience. Retraining would incur substantial cost in money / time as explained below.
- I have contacted other suppliers or service providers identified below and have considered their product, however, their products / services are not acceptable because they are lacking one or more technical capabilities as discussed below.
- The requested product is essential in maintaining / continuing experiments. Other investigators have used this product in similar research and for comparability of results, I require it.
- Contractor is the sole manufacturer and sole distributor and has unique features / characteristics not available from other sources (provide explanation and attach applicable documents).
- Product is a prototype; contractor offers a trade-in allowance; availability of service, parts or maintenance as discussed below.

Explanation: See the attached explanation.

By signing below, requestor certifies that the information provided is accurate to the best of their knowledge.

Bonnie Frey <small>Digitally signed by Bonnie Frey Date: 2024.02.13 09:12:05 -0700</small>		
End User Signature (actual signature required)	Printed Name	Date
		
Chief Procurement Officer (signature required)	Date	

For use by Purchasing:

Date application received in purchasing: 2/13/24 NMT Web Posting date: 2/13/24 Expiration date: 3/14/24



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To: Purchasing Service, New Mexico Tech
Re: Sole Source purchase of ATL SampleMaster Upgrade

The Analytical Chemistry Laboratory of the New Mexico Bureau of Geology and Mineral Resources (NMBGMR) has been using the SampleMaster LIMS offered by Accelerated Laboratories LLC (ATL) for more than a decade. The LIMS (Laboratory Information Management System) is used to store, process and produce reports for our laboratory data. The NMBGMR first purchased SampleMaster in 2010 after a competitive bid from multiple vendors. In reviewing the life of our version of SampleMaster, we anticipate that ATL will likely discontinue SampleMaster 9 within the next 3-5 years, and we seek to a) purchase the next version of SampleMaster and b) transition to a new web-based user interface that, in the long-term, will save the NMBGMR money.

In our experience, LIMS installation, training, and integration into our routine lab analysis is a time-consuming process, which requires substantial testing as well. For this reason, we would like to stay with a LIMS product with which we have a decade of experience and will require a minimum of transfer, training and testing time. *have kn*

The quote includes quotes for ATL professional services, training and maintenance. As described in the additional sole-source letter from ATL, ATL is the only provider of services, training and maintenance of SampleMaster, and, thus, those items in the quote must be purchased from ATL.

Please consider our request to make a sole-source purchase of the ATL SampleMaster system and web interface.

Bonnie Frey, Laboratory Manager / Geochemist
Rachel Hobbs, Water Data Program Manager