

Issue Date: January 9, 2020

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PSC: D317— Automated News Services/Data Services

NAICS: 511120 – Periodical Publishers

Submission Date: Interested parties shall e-mail Todd Johnston, <u>Todd.Johnston@fda.hhs.gov</u> no

later than January 16, 2020, 4:00 p.m. EST.

Description of Services:

FDA researchers require an enterprise wide license providing for unlimited searching access to the United States Pharmacopeia (USP), National Formulary (NF) and the Food Chemicals Codex (FCC) and a ten concurrent user license for USP Dictionary Online USAN and International Drug Names in order to meet the regulatory and research information needs of Agency staff. These resources are highly valued and used by FDA researchers in support of the Agency's mission as evidenced by usage statistics. The Government intends to solicit a sole source requirement to the United States Pharmacopeia for the subscription services.

Quantity and options: Unlimited subscriptions for one year

Estimated duration of contract period: January 24, 2020

The proposed simplified acquisition action is for supplies and services for which the Government intends to solicit and negotiate with only one source in accordance with FAR 13.106-1(b). Interested parties may identify their interests and capabilities to respond to the requirement prior to the response date of this notice. A determination by the Government not to compete this proposed simplified acquisition based upon responses to this notice is solely within the discretion of the Government. Information received will normally be considered solely for the purpose of determining whether to conduct a competitive requirement. No further solicitation is available.

FDA will consider all responses received prior to the closing date of this notice and will use responses in determining whether it is necessary to use full and open competition for this requirement. Responses to the RFI should not exceed 10 pages in length. A complete response to the RFI should include all of the information below. Responses should demonstrate capability, not merely affirm the respondent's capability (e.g.: The response must go beyond the statement that, "XYZ company can provide training support.").