

Intent to Sole Source

Orangeburg-Calhoun Technical College
March 17, 2026

In accordance with Section 11-35-1560(a) of the SC Consolidated Procurement Code, and Section 19-445.2015 of the SC Code of State Regulations, Orangeburg-Calhoun Technical College intends to enter into a sole source contract for: GE Healthcare

Description of the agency need that this procurement fulfills: *(See instructions on last page for guidance)*

OCtech will soon be renovating the Health Science Building where the GE x-ray machine is in use. Due to the nature of the construction, the x-ray machine has to be disassembled, placed in storage and reassembled when the renovation is complete. It is imperative that the machine be in proper working order when it is returned to the Radiology lab.

Describe the Market Based on Research Performed: *(See instructions on last page for guidance)*

In our research, the College has discovered that the machine must be stored in a climate-controlled environment. OCtech currently has a maintenance and service agreement with GE that must be maintained while the machine in storage to avoid costly repairs when it is returned to the building. There are various parts that fail or break when a machine is out of commission for a long period of time. The service agreement will cover the cost of these items if needed. GE Healthcare is the only provider that can perform work under that agreement and honor the terms. GE Healthcare will remove, store the machine in their facility and return to the building when construction is complete.

Description of supplies, construction, information technology, and/or services vendor will provide under the contract: *(See instructions on last page for guidance.)*

Removal, Storage and Reassembly of GE X-ray Machine

Explain why the described solution is the only solution that meets the agency's need and how no other identified solutions were sufficient. *(See instructions on last page for guidance)*

GE Healthcare was determined to be the only solution that meets the needs for this service. Due to the fact that OCtech has a maintenance and service agreement in place with GE Healthcare, GE will ensure that the machine is in working order when it is returned to the building. When x-ray machines are down for an extended period, certain parts fail just because it is not being used. Without GE performing these services, it could cost over \$70k if these parts fail. And that is just for the machine to become operational again. That would also be in addition to the cost of removal, storage and return. Due to these facts, GE Healthcare is the only economical and viable solution for these services.

Please send questions or concerns via e-mail to Scarlet Geddings @ geddings@octech.edu for this Intent to Sole Source no later than 5:00 PM on March 24, 2026, EST.

This notice will be posted in the South Carolina Business Opportunities (SCBO) as required by SC Code 11-35-1560.

PROTESTS:

If you are aggrieved in connection with the intended award or award of the contract, you may be entitled to protest, but only as provided in Section 11-35-4210. To protest an award, you must (i) submit notice of your intent to protest within five (5) business days of the date this notice is posted, and (ii) submit your actual protest within fifteen days of the date this notice is posted. Days are calculated as provided in Section 11-35-310(13). Both protests and notices of intent to protest must be in writing and must be received by the appropriate Chief Procurement Officer within the time provided. The grounds of the protest and the relief requested must be set forth with enough particularity to give notice of the issues to be decided. Any protest or notice of intent to protest must be addressed to the Chief Procurement Officer, Information Technology Management Office, and submitted in writing

(a) by email to: protest-itmo@itmo.sc.gov, or

(b) by post or delivery to: 1201 Main Street, Suite 600, Columbia, SC 29201.