DETERMINATION AND FINDINGS
FOR
SOLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT

FINDINGS

1. Authorization:

19 DCMR § 4320.7.

2. Minimum Need:

The District of Columbia Public Library has a need to procure Value Line Research online services for libraries online and remote access with simultaneous users.

3. Estimated Fair and Reasonable Price:

$17,000.00.

4. Facts That Justify a Sole Source Procurement:

A. The mission of the District of Columbia Public Library is to provide equitable access to information tailored to customer needs, equipping people to learn throughout their lives, embracing diversity and building a thriving city. To support the mission, the Library has need of an online tool to provide patrons interested in financial and investment information. The Library previously provided access to Value Line in print subscription editions throughout the system. This online tool will allow unlimited access for customers in the library and from home and office.

B. The Value Line Research Center is a complete, online research destination that comprises all the financial information and analytical tools needed to expand the range of investment vehicles and structure a dynamic professional portfolio. Backed by the world-class resources of the Value Line organization, for decades the unquestioned authority in timely, unbiased financial data reporting, astute analysis, proven securities ranking systems, and more. Users can track model portfolios, (standard, small and mid-cap), screen more than 250 data fields, create graphs using 25 different variables, and access up to five years of technical history.

C. The Research Center encompasses a suite of Value Line’s premium information services covering the following types of securities:
- Common stocks of small, mid and large-cap companies.
- Stocks of emerging growth companies.
- Mutual funds.
- Stock and stock index options.
- Convertible securities.

D. Services included in the Research Center:
The Value Line Investment Survey.
The Value Line Fund Advisor PLUS.
The Value Line Daily Options Survey.
The Value Line Special Situations Service.
The Value Line Convertibles Survey.

E. Value Line Institutional Services, Inc. is the sole developer and authorized source of the Value Line Research Center On-line.

5. **Certification By the Contract Specialist:**

I hereby certify that the above facts are accurate and complete.

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Contract Specialist                          Date

**DETERMINATION**

Based on the above findings and in accordance with the DCPL Procurement Regulations, 19 DCMR § 4320.7 I hereby determine that the award of a sole source contract for the services described herein is in the best interest of the D.C. Public Library.

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Contracting Officer                          Date