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 for a contractor to provide public computers for graduates of basic computer skills training.

3. **Estimated Fair and Reasonable Price:**

   $5,184.00.

4. **Facts That Justify a Sole Source Procurement:**

   A. First Time Computers’ mission is to enhance the educational and job prospects of low-income children and youth by widening their access to the world of technology.

   B. First Time Computers’ goals are to seek to empower at-risk kids by building their computer resources and capabilities, and thus help to break the cycle of poverty. They also seek to educate and empower large numbers of children and youth by assisting families and community-based non-profits in their efforts to build computer access for children and youth.

   C. Additionally, First Time Computers’ seeks to empower a smaller number of youth directly by training them in computer repair skills that will help them compete in the job market.

   D. First Time Computers is uniquely qualified as a local District community-based non-profit that specifically serves low income youth in the DC area who need added computer resources, working through youth-serving organizations.

   E. Also, First Time Computers has a rich history in serving DC youth associated with the DC Public Library and OCTO, and has a close working relationship and professional understanding through specific federal stimulus grants funding assigned to the DC Public Library over the past several years. The company is familiar with the scope of what actual training is necessary and has been successful with DC youth recruited for this specific grant.
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