

**DETERMINATION & FINDINGS FOR MANDATORY SET-ASIDE OF  
CONTRACTS \$250,000.00 OR LESS**

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548147

**1. AUTHORIZATION**

DC Official Code Section 2-218.44 and 2-218.45

**2. MINIMUM NEED**

The District of Columbia Public Library (DCPL) has a need for a Contractor to provide AmpliVox Wireless Gray Granite Lecterns.

**3. ESTIMATED REASONABLE PRICE**

\$19,125.00

**4. FACTS WHICH JUSTIFY AWARD TO OTHER THAN A CERTIFIED SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (SBE) OR CERTIFIED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (CBE) CONTRACTOR**

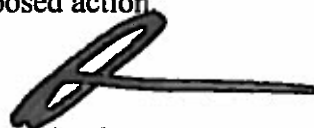
On August 8, 2016, DCPL issued a Request for Quote to three Contractors, (2) CBE's (Touch Media Systems and RCM Productions) and (1) non CBE (VSA, Inc.) for (15) AmpliVox Wireless Lecterns. RCM Productions submitted a bid amount of \$40,335.00 and Touch Media didn't respond. VSA, Inc. submitted a bid amount of \$19,125.00. Due to the fact that the CBE is more than 12 percent higher than the non CBE, DCPL issued a purchase order to VSA Inc. on August 25, 2016.

**5. CERTIFICATION BY THE CONTRACT SPECIALIST**

I have reviewed the above findings and certify that they are sufficient to justify the procurement of goods and services from other than a SBE or CBE contractor in accordance with DC Official Code Section 2-218.44 and 2-218.45 and recommend that the Chief Procurement Officer approve this proposed action.

Date

8/25/16

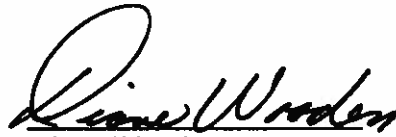


Ameer M. Abdullah, Sr.  
Contract Specialist

**DETERMINATION**

Based on the above findings and in accordance with the DCPL Procurement Regulations, DC Official Code Section 2-218.44 and 2-218.45, I hereby determine that the award of this procurement action for the goods or services described herein is in the best interest of the District of Columbia Public Library.

8/29/16  
Date

  
Diane Wooden  
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Chief Procurement Officer