

**DETERMINATION AND FINDINGS
FOR
SOLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT**

FINDINGS

1. **Authorization:**
 19 DCMR § 4320.7.

2. **Minimum Need:**
 TumbleBook Library Renewal 2013

3. **Estimated Fair and Reasonable Price:**
 \$6,000.00

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

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

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

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.

Contracting Officer

Date