

**DESCRIPTION OF INTENDED
SINGLE SOURCE PURCHASE
(PUR 7776)**

AGENCY: FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER SERVICES

TITLE: Veterinary Medical Research & Development, Inc. (VMRD)

Short description of the commodity or service desired: Laboratory Testing Supplies

CONTACT

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This description of commodities or contractual services intended for purchase from a single source is posted in accordance with Sections 120.57(3) and 287.057(3), Florida Statutes (F.S.), and will remain posted for a period of at least 15 business days.

Commodity or Contractual Service Required (commodity or United National Standard Products and Services Code (UNSPSC), manufacturer, model, and description, as appropriate):

41101500 - Laboratory Blending and dispersing and homogenizing equipment and supplies

Quantity or Term (as appropriate):

July 1, 2026 - June 30, 2027

Requestor (division, bureau, office, individual, as appropriate):

Division of Animal Industry

Performance and/or Design Requirements (e.g. intended use, function or application, compatibility, requirements; reference to policy, rule, statute or other act of the Legislature, etc., as appropriate):

Purchase of USDA approved test kits exclusively manufactured by Veterinary Medical Research & Development, Inc. (VMRD). The Division of Animal Industry is required to use USDA licensed test kits for regulatory testing used to carry out the division's statutory.

Intended Single Source:

Veterinary Medical Research & Development, Inc. (VMRD)

Estimated Dollar Amount:

Approximate Contract Amount: \$75,000.00

Approximate Amount up to: \$130,000.00

Justification for single source acquisition (what is necessary and unique about the product, service or source; steps taken to confirm unavailability of competition, as appropriate):

VMRD, Inc is the sole source manufacturer and supplier of the USDA licensed Babesia caballi Antibody Test kit, cELISA and Babesia equi Antibody Test kit, cELISA for Piroplasmosis test; Prion Protein MAb Cell Culture Supernate. To achieve the division's statutory duties, the division must use specific instruments, and laboratory supplies to perform biologics testing.

Approved By (names & titles, as appropriate, e.g., requestor, requestor management, information systems, budget, purchasing):

Christina McClure, Business Operations Manager, Division of Animal Industry

Erica Field, Assistant Director, Division of Animal Industry

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Joey B. Hicks, Director, Division of Administration

Prospective vendors are requested to provide information regarding their ability to supply the commodities or contractual services described. If it is determined in writing by the agency, after reviewing any information received from prospective vendors, that the commodities or contractual services are available only from a single source, the agency shall provide notice of its intended decision to enter a single-source purchase contract in the manner specified in Rule 60A-1.045, Florida Administrative Code, and section 120.57(3), F.S.