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Announcement of a Sole Source Purchase

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City Colleges of Chicago intends to award a contract to Blackboard Inc to provide software that will permit students with disabilities and special needs to access course content using the online platform, which is required by federal law.

City Colleges has determined that this purchase is only economically available from Blackboard Inc because of its compatibility with CCC's current Learning Management System (LMS) as well as its unmatched ability to convert online course content into multiple ADA-compliant formats.

For additional information, contact:

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City Colleges of Chicago will hold a public hearing at the date, time and location specified below, if we receive a request to testify regarding the sole source determination. We will also hold a hearing if any vendor submits a signed statement showing the capability to provide the stated supplies/services at or below the amount indicated.

The public hearing allows any interested party the opportunity to testify for or against the sole source determination as described in this notice. The purpose of the hearing is to receive information from the public in a reasonable manner. Formal rules of evidence will not apply. The hearing officer will produce minutes of the hearing and may record it in order to aid in the production of the minutes. After conclusion of the hearing we will decide whether the sole source determination was appropriate.

We must receive any request to testify and any vendor statement no later than the registration date and time indicated below. If we do not receive a timely request or statement, we will not hold the hearing. We reserve the right to cancel the procurement prior to any scheduled hearing. Please confirm the status of the hearing with the Hearing Contact.

Hearing Details

Date: Thursday, October 26th, 2023

Time: 12:00 P.M CDT

Location: Via Zoom Teleconference; access information will be emailed only to respondents.

Hearing Contact:

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Potential participants are requested to email the Department of Business and Procurement Services for conference information via the <u>Procurement Mailbox</u>. Date, time, and location are subject to change and/or cancellation. It is the responsibility of potential participants to confirm these details prior to attendance.

Registration:

Registration Deadline: Thursday, October 19th, 2023

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