

Office of the Illinois State Treasurer

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Sole Source Procurement Notice

Moody's Analytics, Inc.

May 11, 2023

I. Introduction

The Office of the Illinois State Treasurer ("Treasurer") is issuing this Sole Source Procurement Notice pursuant to Section 2025(e) of the Office of the Treasurer Procurement Rules, 44 Ill. Admin. Code Part 1400.

The Treasurer entered into a contract on July 1, 2005, with Moody's Analytics, Inc. ("Moody's") to provide ratings information for permitted investments as defined by the Deposit of State Moneys Act 15 ILCS 520/22.5, specifically municipal bond ratings and corporate and structured ratings, on a daily basis through a file transmission to import into the Treasurer's current treasury management system ("TMS"). Only Moody's is able to offer this service in the required format. Now, the Treasurer intends to retain Moody's for an additional three (3) years.

II. Chief Procurement Officer

The Chief Procurement Officer who will perform this Sole Source Procurement is:

Mr. Christopher M. Flynn
Chief Procurement Officer
Illinois State Treasurer's Office
1 East Old State Capitol Plaza
Springfield, IL 62701
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III. Name of Proposed Sole Source Vendor

Moody's Analytics, Inc.
7 World Trade Center
New York, NY 10007

IV. Brief Description of What Vendor Will Do or Provide

Moody's provides municipal ratings information in a specific format that the Treasurer's staff is able to access and import into its TMS.

V. Contract Price

The estimated contract pricing is as follows: \$101,434 for first year of the contract, \$109,549 for the second year, and \$118,313 for the third year, for a total of 329,296 over the three-year term of the contract.

VI. Reason Why Moody's is Determined to be the Sole Economically Feasible Source

The current age and particularities of the Treasurer's TMS dictates that ratings cannot be updated directly into the TMS, but rather downloaded into a specific format. 44 Ill. Adm. Code 1400.2025(b)(1) states that a sole source procurement may be necessary due to "compatibility of equipment, accessories, replacement parts or service." Moody's offers a distinct format that the Treasurer's staff requires, and the Treasurer is not aware of another vendor that offers this service. In the next three (3) years, the Treasurer anticipates updating its current TMS and completing its transition to it. Upon the implementation of the new TMS, the Treasurer plans to solicit proposals or bids for a service compatible with the new TMS. While, the Treasurer completed a sole source procurement for this Service from Moody's in May of 2021, the transition to a new TMS has extended longer than anticipated, thus necessitating this additional sole source procurement. The unique requirements of the older TMS, the planned upcoming end of the specific need, the relatively small dollar amount, and that the Treasurer does not anticipate another vendor being interested in changing its processes to meet the Treasurer's requirements make this procurement a sole economically feasible source.