

NOTICE OF INTENT TO AWARD SOLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT

Title:	Aretech Proprietary (Copyrighted and Patented Materials) ZeroG Gait & Balance System – Robotic Body-Weight Support System Technology, and related Training and Installation Services.
Notice Date:	November 14, 2023
Response Due Date:	November 23, 2023
Reference Number:	UDC Reference No.: 177761975/Purchase No.: PO-GF-2024-P-0021-BB
Contract Description:	The University of the District of Columbia (UDC) Office of Contracting and Procurement (OCP) on behalf of the School of Engineering & Applied Sciences (SEAS), Department of Civil and Mechanical Engineering intends to award a sole source procurement to Artech, LLC.
Vendor Name:	Aretech, LLC.
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REFERENCE NO.: 177761975/PO-GF-2024-P-0021-BB
CAPTION: Aretech (copyrighted and patented materials) ZeroG Gait & Balance System – Robotic Body-Weight Support System Technology, and related Installation and Training Services: Proprietary (Sole) Source
PROPOSED CONTRACTOR: Aretech, LLC
PROGRAM AGENCY: University of the District of Columbia (UDC) School of Engineering & Applied Sciences (SEAS), Department of Civil and Mechanical Engineering

DETERMINATION AND FINDINGS OF SOLE-SOURCES PROCUREMENT

1. AUTHORIZATION

D.C. Procurement Practices Act of 2010: §§401(a)(1)(C) and 404(a); D.C. Official Code: §§2-354.01(C) and 2-354.04(a); and Chapter 30 of Title 8(b), D.C.M.R.: §§3002, 3002.2, 3002.3, 3002.4(a), 3003, 3003.1(c), 3003.2, 3019, and 3019.1

2. MINIMUM NEED

The University of the District of Columbia (UDC) School of Engineering & Applied Sciences (SEA), Department of Civil and Mechanical Engineering has an immediate need to procure the Aretech Proprietary (copyrighted and patented materials) ZeroG Gait & Balance System – Robotic Body-Weight Support System Technology, and related Installation and Training Services.

3. ESTIMATED COST

The estimated cost for this contract is \$431,560.00

4. FACTS THAT JUSTIFY SOLE-SOURCE PROCUREMENT

- a) The Contractor is the sole source and exclusive provider of the above Aretech products and services.
- b) The Contractor indicates no other vendor, person, or entity is authorized to provide, sale, and supply such products and services: Aretech range of robotic body-weight support technologies, and Training Services.
- c) The Contractor has specialized experience with the products and services to provide installation and technical support to ensure the optimal performance and functionality of Aretech products, and services.
- d) It is in the best interest of the University to meet its requirements from the proposed Contractor.

CERTIFICATION OF FACTS BY CONTRACT SPECIALIST

I have reviewed the above findings and certify that there are sufficient justifications to use a sole-source procurement method under the cited statutory authority. I recommend that the Contracting Officer approve the use of the sole source procurement procedures for this proposed contract.

11/13/2023

Date

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DETERMINATION

Based on the above findings and in accordance with D.C. Procurement Practices Act of 2010: §§401(a)(1)(C) and 404(a); D.C. Official Code: §§2-354.01(C) and 2-354.04(a); and Chapter 30 of Title 8(b), D.C.M.R.: §§3002, 3002.2, 3002.3, 3002.4(a), 3003, 3003.1(c), 3003.2, 3019 and 3019.1 – I hereby determine that the above goods and/or services described herein should be procured from Aretech, LLC. It is further determined that the cost to the University is fair and reasonable and that the action is in the best interest of the University.

11-13-23

Date

Eddie Whitaker

Mary Ann Harris/Eddie Whitaker
Contracting Officer