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## MEMORANDUM SOLE SOURCE DECLARATION

TO: Hidalgo County Commissioner's Court

FROM: Ignacio Amezcua MBA, CTCM, CTCD 1A

DATE: December 21, 2023

RE: Sole Source Declaration for Abbott Laboratories "Reagents and Supplies for the Abbott Architect ci4100 Instrument"

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The Hidalgo County Health seeks to procure the purchase of Reagents and Supplies for the Abbott Architect ci4100 Instrument from Abbott Laboratories.

Abbott reagents and supplies are manufactured and distributed exclusively by Abbott labs for its own, Abbott Architect Chemistry Analyzer, owned by Hidalgo County.

In Accordance with the Texas Local Government Code Chapter 262.024 (a)(7)(A),  
(a) A contract for the purchase of any of the following items is exempt from the requirement established by section 262.023 if the commissioners court by order grants the exemption:  
(7) Any item that can be obtained from only one source, including:  
(A) Items for which competition is precluded because of the existence of patents, copyrights, secret processes, or monopolies.

Therefore, for the reason stated herein, we humbly request that the Hidalgo County Commissioners' Court declare a Sole Source Vendor, for the purpose of procuring the purchase with Abbott Laboratories. This sole source declaration will remain in effect through the life term of the contract, unless otherwise revoked by the Hidalgo County Commissioners Court.



## Start Up Quote

Customer	Hidalgo County Health Department
Address	1304 S 25th Ave, Edinburg, TX, 78539, United States
Sales Representative	Bradley Thompson
Quote Number	1
Document Generation Date	12/21/2023

### Customer Product Start Up Reagents

Description	Lot Number	Tests per Kit	Price per Test	Start Up Quantity	Price per Kit
Architect CC Albumin (BCG) Reagent	07D53-24	2607	0.0800	1.0000	208.56
Architect CC Alkaline Phosphatase Reagent	07D55-22	1500	0.0800	1.0000	120.00
Architect CC ALT (Alanine Aminotransferase) Reagent	07D56-22	3621	0.0800	1.0000	289.68
Architect CC Amphetamine/ Methamphetamine Reagent	03L37-20	500	1.0200	1.0000	510.00
Architect CC Amylase Reagent	07D58-22	500	0.5800	1.0000	290.00
Architect CC AST (Aspartate Aminotransferase) Reagent	07D81-22	3621	0.0800	1.0000	289.68
Architect CC Barbiturates Reagent	03L38-20	500	1.0200	1.0000	510.00
Architect CC Benzodiazepines (Serum) Reagent	06L30-20	200	1.9100	1.0000	382.00
Architect CC Benzodiazepines Reagent	03L39-20	500	1.0200	1.0000	510.00
Architect CC Calcium Reagent	03L79-21	1500	0.0700	1.0000	105.00
Architect CC Cannabinoids Reagent	03L41-20	500	1.0200	1.0000	510.00
Architect CC Carbon Dioxide (CO2) Reagent	03L80-22	1500	0.0600	1.0000	90.00
Architect CC Cholesterol Reagent	07D62-22	3032	0.0800	1.0000	242.56
Architect CC Cocaine Reagent	03L40-20	500	1.0200	1.0000	510.00
Architect CC Creatinine (Enzymatic) Reagent	08L24-31	750	0.5800	1.0000	435.00
Architect CC CRP (Vario) Reagent	06K26-31	600	1.4800	1.0000	888.00
Architect CC Direct Bilirubin Reagent	08G63-22	2000	0.0800	1.0000	160.00
Architect CC Direct LDL Reagent	01E31-20	450	1.9100	1.0000	859.50
Architect CC Ecstasy Reagent	03L42-20	200	1.0200	1.0000	204.00
Architect CC Electrolytes Reagent	09D28-03	20000	0.1200	1.0000	2,400.00
Architect CC Ethanol Reagent	03L36-20	200	1.0200	1.0000	204.00
Architect CC Fentanyl Reagent	04W32-20	200	2.4760	1.0000	495.20
Architect CC GGT (Gamma-Glutamyl Transferase) Reagent	07D65-21	1500	0.0800	1.0000	120.00
Architect CC Glucose Reagent	03L82-22	1500	0.0600	1.0000	90.00
Architect CC HDL (Ultra) Reagent	03K33-21	1440	0.5800	1.0000	835.20
Architect CC Hemoglobin A1c (Monitoring & Diagnostics) Reagent	04P52-20	300	2.5300	1.0000	759.00
Architect CC Iron Reagent	06K95-30	918	0.0700	1.0000	64.26
Architect CC Lipase Reagent	07D80-31	778	0.5800	1.0000	451.24
Architect CC Magnesium Reagent	03P68-24	1000	0.0800	1.0000	80.00
Architect CC Methadone Reagent	03L35-20	500	1.0200	1.0000	510.00
Architect CC Opiates Reagent	03L34-20	500	1.0200	1.0000	510.00
Architect CC PCP (Phencyclidine) Reagent	06L96-20	500	1.0200	1.0000	510.00
Architect CC Phosphorus Reagent	07D71-23	2800	0.0800	1.0000	224.00
Architect CC Total Bilirubin Reagent	06L45-21	2750	0.0800	1.0000	220.00
Architect CC Total Protein Reagent	07D73-22	3622	0.0800	1.0000	289.76
Architect CC Triglycerides Reagent	07D74-22	3032	0.0800	1.0000	242.56
Architect CC UIBC Reagent	04R29-21	850	0.5800	1.0000	493.00
Architect CC Urea Nitrogen Reagent	07D75-22	1500	0.0600	1.0000	90.00
Architect CC Uric Acid Reagent	03P39-22	1300	0.0800	1.0000	104.00
Architect IA Anti-HAV IgG Reagent	06L27-25	100	3.9900	1.0000	399.00
Architect IA Anti-HAV IgM Reagent	06L21-25	100	5.6100	1.0000	561.00
Architect IA Anti-HBc IgM Reagent	06L23-25	100	5.9700	1.0000	597.00
Architect IA Anti-HBc Reagent	06L22-25	100	4.2500	1.0000	425.00
Architect IA Anti-HBs Reagent	01L82-27	100	2.1400	1.0000	214.00
Architect IA Anti-HCV Reagent	01L79-25	100	6.1100	1.0000	611.00
Architect IA Anti-Tg Reagent	02K46-25	100	3.1100	1.0000	311.00
Architect IA Anti-TPO Reagent	02K47-27	100	3.1100	1.0000	311.00
Architect IA B12 Reagent	07K61-27	100	1.5400	1.0000	154.00
Architect IA Estradiol Reagent	07K72-25	100	2.3700	1.0000	237.00
Architect IA Ferritin Reagent	07K59-25	100	1.5400	1.0000	154.00
Architect IA Folate Reagent	01P74-27	100	1.5400	1.0000	154.00
Architect IA Free T3 Reagent	07K63-27	100	1.5300	1.0000	153.00
Architect IA Free T4 Reagent	07K65-29	100	1.1500	1.0000	115.00
Architect IA FSH Reagent	07K75-25	100	1.4100	1.0000	141.00
Architect IA HBSAg (Qualitative Conf.) Reagent	04P54-25	100	14.9500	1.0000	1,495.00
Architect IA HBSAg (Qualitative) Reagent	04P53-25	100	2.3600	1.0000	236.00
Architect IA hCG (Total Beta-hCG) Reagent	07K78-25	100	1.3600	1.0000	136.00
Architect IA HIV Ag/Ab Combo Reagent	02P36-25	100	6.1400	1.0000	614.00
Architect IA LH Reagent	02P40-25	100	1.4100	1.0000	141.00
Architect IA Progesterone Reagent	07K77-25	100	1.7300	1.0000	173.00
Architect IA Prolactin Reagent	07K76-25	100	1.5100	1.0000	151.00
Architect IA PSA, Total Reagent	06C06-27	100	3.3800	1.0000	338.00

Architect IA Testosterone 2nd Generation Reagent	02P13-27	100	2.5500	1.0000	255.00
Architect IA Total T3 Reagent	07K64-27	100	0.8400	1.0000	84.00
Architect IA Total T4 Reagent	07K66-27	100	0.7600	1.0000	76.00
Architect IA TSH Reagent	07K62-25	100	1.1000	1.0000	110.00
Architect IA T-Uptake Reagent	02K48-25	100	0.8400	1.0000	84.00
Purchase Commitment					\$ 24,236.20

**Consumable Utilization Estimate for Start Up Validation**

Description	Unit Number	Acquisition Price	Qty	Price Per Unit	Order Total
Billirubin Cal	01E6605		1	\$ 71.38	\$ 71.38
Cannabinoids 200 Cal	03L4104		1	\$ 81.11	\$ 81.11
Clin Chem Cal	06K3010		1	\$ 81.11	\$ 81.11
Co2 Cal	01E6403		1	\$ 81.11	\$ 81.11
Ecstasy 500 Cal	03L4202		1	\$ 162.23	\$ 162.23
Ethanol 100 Cal	03L3602		1	\$ 81.11	\$ 81.11
Ethanol Negative Cal	03L3601		1	\$ 81.11	\$ 81.11
GhB A1c Cal	04P5201		1	\$ 170.00	\$ 170.00
ICT Serum Cal	01E4604		1	\$ 214.88	\$ 214.88
ICT Urine Cal	01E4703		1	\$ 176.51	\$ 176.51
Lipase Cal	03E1602		1	\$ 71.38	\$ 71.38
Lipid MCC	05P5602		1	\$ 248.52	\$ 248.52
MCC	01E6506		1	\$ -	\$ -
DOA MC / Cal 2	03L4302		1	\$ 162.23	\$ 162.23
DOA MC Neg Cal	03L4305		1	\$ 270.38	\$ 270.38
Opiates 1000 Cal	03L3404		1	\$ 81.11	\$ 81.11
Cannabinoids 125 Control	03L4116		1	\$ 71.38	\$ 71.38
DOA MC II Control Set	03L4211		1	\$ 162.23	\$ 162.23
Multi S Plus Ivl 1	05P7810		1	\$ 185.00	\$ 185.00
Multi S Plus Ivl 2	05P7811		1	\$ 185.00	\$ 185.00
Multi S Plus Ivl 3	05P7812		1	\$ 185.00	\$ 185.00
Multichem HemA1C	04V0610		1	\$ 654.50	\$ 654.50
DOA MC I Control Set	03L4310		1	\$ 162.23	\$ 162.23
DOA MC III Control Set	04P5110		1	\$ 208.56	\$ 208.56
Anti-HCV Cal	01L7901		1	\$ 104.91	\$ 104.91
Anti-Tg Cal	02K4601		1	\$ 104.91	\$ 104.91
Anti-TPO Cal	02K4701		1	\$ 105.44	\$ 105.44
AUSAB Cal	01L8203		1	\$ 104.91	\$ 104.91
B12 Cal	07K6102		1	\$ 104.91	\$ 104.91
BhCG Cal	07K7801		1	\$ 104.91	\$ 104.91
CORE (Total)	06L2201		1	\$ 166.23	\$ 166.23
CORE-M Cal	06L2301		1	\$ 166.23	\$ 166.23
Estradiol Cal	07K7201		1	\$ 99.91	\$ 99.91
Ferritin Cal	07K5901		1	\$ 104.91	\$ 104.91
Folate Cal	01P7402		1	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00
Free T3 Cal	07K6302		1	\$ 194.67	\$ 194.67
Free T4 Cal	07K6502		1	\$ 104.91	\$ 104.91
FSH Cal	07K7501		1	\$ 104.91	\$ 104.91
HAVAB-G Cal	06L2701		1	\$ 139.00	\$ 139.00
HAVAB-M Cal	06L2101		1	\$ 166.23	\$ 166.23
HBSAg	04P5301		1	\$ 189.26	\$ 189.26
HIV Cal	02P3601		1	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00
LH Cal	02P4001		1	\$ 104.91	\$ 104.91
Prog Cal	07K7701		1	\$ 104.91	\$ 104.91
Prolactin Cal	07K7601		1	\$ 104.91	\$ 104.91
Testosterone Cal	02P1301		1	\$ 139.00	\$ 139.00
Total PSA Cal	06C0601		1	\$ 139.00	\$ 139.00
TSH Cal	07K6201		1	\$ 104.91	\$ 104.91
TT3 Cal	07K6402		1	\$ 104.91	\$ 104.91
TT4 Cal	07K6602		1	\$ 104.91	\$ 104.91
T-Uptake Cal	02K4801		1	\$ 104.91	\$ 104.91
Anti-HCV Control	01L7910		1	\$ 104.91	\$ 104.91
Anti-Tg Control	02K4610		1	\$ 53.33	\$ 53.33
Anti-TPO Control	02K4710		1	\$ 53.33	\$ 53.33
AUSAB Control	01L8213		1	\$ 104.91	\$ 104.91
CORE (Total)	06L2210		1	\$ 162.23	\$ 162.23
CORE-M Controls	06L2310		1	\$ 162.23	\$ 162.23
HAVAB-G Control	06L2710		1	\$ 139.00	\$ 139.00
HAVAB-M Control	06L2110		1	\$ 104.91	\$ 104.91
HBSAg Control	04P5310		1	\$ 104.91	\$ 104.91
Acid Wash Solution	06K0120		2	\$ 64.89	\$ 129.78
Alkaline Wash Solution	09D3120		2	\$ 64.89	\$ 129.78
Detergent A	01J7220		1	\$ 108.15	\$ 108.15
Na Azide 1 L Concentrated Wash Buffer	06C5458		2	\$ 53.33	\$ 106.66
Pre-Trigger Solution	06E2365		3	\$ 129.78	\$ 389.34
Trigger Solution	06C5580		3	\$ 53.33	\$ 159.99
Reaction Vessels	07C1503		2	\$ 109.74	\$ 219.48

Septums	04D1803		1		\$ 10.76	\$ 10.76
Sample Cups	07C1401		1		\$ 81.11	\$ 81.11
MS GC3 1300ab	03L4502		1		\$ 268.98	\$ 268.98
MS GC1 1100ab	04P3605		1		\$ 1,694.16	\$ 1,694.16
MS GC2 1200ab	04P3606		1		\$ 527.71	\$ 527.71
MS GC4 1400ab	04P3607		1		\$ 361.06	\$ 361.06
MS LP 501ab	04P4701		1		\$ 922.39	\$ 922.39
AUDIT K832M-5 (Thyroid)	04P3627		1		\$ 165.54	\$ 165.54
AUDIT K833M-5	04P3628		1		\$ 479.04	\$ 479.04
						<b>13,970.38</b>
				<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>38,206.58</b>



Guadalupe Garcia <guadalupe.garcia@co.hidalgo.tx.us>

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**Re: Sole Source Designation-Abbott**

1 message

Fri, Dec 22, 2023 at 3:31 PM

Veronica Cuate <veronica.cuate@hchd.org>  
Cc: Guadalupe Garcia <guadalupe.garcia@co.hidalgo.tx.us>

Lupita,

Can you process this for the agenda Jan 9th? Total for the start up reagents is 38,206.58.

On Fri, Dec 22, 2023 at 1:51 PM Veronica Cuate <veronica.cuate@hchd.org> wrote:  
WOOOOO! Thank you so Much!

Happy Holidays!

On Fri, Dec 22, 2023 at 1:46 PM Olga Garza <olga.garza@co.hidalgo.tx.us> wrote:  
Good afternoon,

Please see attached sole source declaration.

Thank you,

**Olga N.Garza**

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On Fri, Dec 22, 2023 at 10:16 AM Veronica Cuate <veronica.cuate@hchd.org> wrote:  
Olga,

Were you able to get the sole source designation written?

Veronica

On Fri, Dec 8, 2023 at 2:06 PM Veronica Cuate <veronica.cuate@hchd.org> wrote:  
Olga,

Please see the attached information. Let me know if we need anything else.

Veronica

On Tue, Dec 5, 2023 at 4:54 PM Guadalupe Garcia <guadalupe.garcia@co.hidalgo.tx.us> wrote:  
Veronica:

Please provide the information that Olga is requesting so that we can get the sole source designation documentation we need in order to include the item on Commissioner's Court for approval.  
Thank you!

**Guadalupe V. Garcia.**

**Division Manager II, CDBG**

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<https://www.hidalgocounty.us/618/Urban-County>

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On Tue, Dec 5, 2023 at 2:51 PM Olga Garza <[olga.garza@co.hidalgo.tx.us](mailto:olga.garza@co.hidalgo.tx.us)> wrote:

Hi Lupita,

In this case yes, if it is to purchase lab supplies and these were not part of the bid but they can only be obtained through Abbott then yes we can sole source them. I have attached the sole source affidavit. Can you provide the responses to the sole source questions like you have done in the past from the vendor so that I can work on the sole source declaration?

Thank you,

**Olga N. Garza**

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On Tue, Dec 5, 2023 at 2:05 PM Guadalupe Garcia <[guadalupe.garcia@co.hidalgo.tx.us](mailto:guadalupe.garcia@co.hidalgo.tx.us)> wrote:

Olga:

For clarification this company initially was a bid out item Abbot bid was submitted and they were the lowest bidder.

We approved vendor for the purchase of the equipment. Now, however, we can only purchase the reagents for the use of the equipment from the same company making them a sole source, that is why Veronica is asking for the sole source designation.

Please call me if you have any questions.

**Guadalupe V. Garcia.**

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On Tue, Dec 5, 2023 at 10:47 AM Olga Garza <[olga.garza@co.hidalgo.tx.us](mailto:olga.garza@co.hidalgo.tx.us)> wrote:

Veronica,

If this was a formal solicitation and you went through the process and awarded the lowest bid, you would not need sole source documentation. Sole source is when the product could only be obtained from one source and we could exempt it from competitive bidding process but you bid it out and you were able to get two bids plus awarding to the lowest bidder. Once you award the lowest bidder you are good to go.

Thank you,

**Olga N. Garza**

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On Tue, Dec 5, 2023 at 9:28 AM Veronica Cuate <veronica.cuate@hchd.org> wrote:  
Yes this went out for formal solicitation.

On Tue, Dec 5, 2023 at 8:43 AM Olga Garza <olga.garza@co.hidalgo.tx.us> wrote:  
Good morning,

You mentioned you received two bids. Was this bid out as a formal solicitation?

Thank you,

**Olga N. Garza**

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On Mon, Dec 4, 2023 at 5:14 PM Veronica Cuate <veronica.cuate@hchd.org> wrote:  
Olga and Nellie,

Lupita needs sole source designation for Abbott Chemistry system so I can purchase the lab supplies. Can you provide one since we received two Bid packages for the integrated chemistry and Hidalgo county awarded Abbott as the best value lowest BID and they are the sole manufacturer of the reagents. Abbott is the instrument we have in the lab and we need to purchase the start up reagents for validation, quote is also attached. (\$ 38,206.58).

Is there additional documentation I need to submit for Lupita to process? I attached the PO and the BID packet that has all the reagents listed in the submission.

Please advise,

Veronica Cuate

Mrs. Veronica Cuate, MBA-HCA, BSMT  
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Thank you,

Mrs. Veronica Cuate  
Lab Manager III

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**2 attachments**

 **Architect Reagent Start Up Estimate Quote 11.09.23 (1).xlsx**  
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 **Sole Source Declaration.pdf**  
341K