**SCBO ADVERTISEMENT**

Description: Information Technology Research & Advisory Services

 *State of South Carolina – Term Contract*

Solicitation Number: State of Minnesota, Reference Number PT3199 / Event ID 2000010115

Advertisement Date: September 17 – October 17, 2019

Location: State Fiscal Accountability Authority

 Division of Procurement Services

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**NOTICE**

The State of South Carolina intends to enter into a cooperative purchasing agreement, via NASPO ValuePoint, for Information Technology Research & Advisory Services.

NASPO ValuePoint is a cooperative purchasing program for eligible governmental entities in all states, the District of Columbia, and the territories of the United States. The State of Minnesota, in furtherance of the NASPO ValuePoint Cooperative Purchasing Program, has issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) for *Information Technology Research and Advisory Services*.

In accordance with S.C. Code of Laws §11-35-4810, the South Carolina State Fiscal Accountability Authority, Division of Procurement Services, Office of State Procurement, on behalf of the State of South Carolina, is hereby providing notice of the publication of the multi-state solicitation for *Information Technology Research and Advisory Services* by the Lead State of Minnesota. This notice shall be understood to express the intent of the State of South Carolina to participate in a cooperative purchasing agreement pursuant to above-referenced solicitation.

RFP Reference Number PT3199 / Event ID 2000010115 can be accessed and downloaded from the Minnesota Department of Administration – State Procurement website located [here](http://www.mmd.admin.state.mn.us/process/admin/ptList.asp). It is also available on the [NASPO ValuePoint Supplier Portal](https://www.naspovaluepoint.org/supplier-portal/). All Amendments to the RFP will also be posted and available to download at these websites. All questions concerning this solicitation must be submitted through Minnesota’s IT Acquisitions Supervisor.

**THE OFFICE OF STATE PROCUREMENT ENCOURAGES ALL INTERESTED VENDORS TO OBTAIN A COPY OF THE RFP AND SUBMIT A COMPETITIVE PROPOSAL.**

Any protest rights should be exercised immediately. Questions or concerns regarding this notice should be submitted immediately to the above Procurement Officer’s email address.