

NOTICE OF INTENT TO AWARD SOLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT

Title:	AeroTrain, proprietary and specialized aviation maintenance training equipment, aircraft systems trainers, and instructional aids (copyrighted and patented). The procurement includes the following specialized instructional and training systems: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AE-21 – Runnable Auxiliary Power Unit (APU) Trainer • AE-31-PT6A – Runnable PT6A Turboprop Engine on Engine Test Stand • AS-06-1 – Antiskid Brake System Trainer (Single Wheel) • AS-11 – Turbine Fuel System Trainer • AS-70-1 – Safety Lock-Wiring Installation Practices Trainer • AS-70-2 – Aircraft Wiring & Maintenance Practices Trainer
Notice Date:	May 19, 2026
Response Due Date:	May 29, 2025
Reference Number:	UDC Reference No.: 211677228/Purchase No.: PO-GF-2026-P-0031-BB
Contract Description:	The University of the District of Columbia (UDC), Office of Contracting and Procurement (OCP), on behalf of the University of the District of Columbia Community College (UDC-CC), Applied Science in Aviation Maintenance Technology Program, is entering into a sole-source contract for the acquisition of AeroTrain Corp. AeroTrain is the exclusive provider of the proprietary systems that are highly specialized aviation instructional trainers designed specifically for aviation maintenance education and technical workforce preparation. The equipment provides integrated instructional functionality not commonly available through general laboratory or industrial equipment suppliers.
Vendor Name:	AeroTrain Corp.
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REFERENCE NO.: 211677228/Purchase No.: PO-GF-2026-P-0031-BB
CAPTION: AeroTrain, proprietary and specialized aviation maintenance training equipment, aircraft systems trainers, and instructional aids: Sole Source Procurement Without Competition
PROPOSED CONTRACTOR: AeroTrain Corp.
PROGRAM AGENCY: University of the District of Columbia Community College (UDC-CC), Applied Science in Aviation Maintenance Technology Program

DETERMINATION AND FINDINGS OF SOLE SOURCES PROCUREMENT

1. AUTHORIZATION

D.C. Official Code: §§ 2-354.01(a)(1)(C) and 2-354.04(a); and Chapter 30 of Title 8(b), D.C.M.R.: §§ 3002,4(a) and 3019

2. MINIMUM NEED

The University of the District of Columbia Community College (UDC-CC), Applied Science in Aviation Maintenance Technology Program requires industry-standard aviation maintenance training equipment to provide students with hands-on instruction, operational troubleshooting experience, and practical competency development aligned with Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) instructional expectations and aviation industry workforce requirements.

3. ESTIMATED COST

The estimated cost for this contract is \$304,830.00.

4. FACTS THAT JUSTIFY SOLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT

- a) The requested systems are highly specialized aviation instructional trainers designed specifically for aviation maintenance education and technical workforce preparation.
- b) The equipment provides integrated instructional functionality not commonly available through general laboratory or industrial equipment suppliers.
- c) The trainers and instructional systems directly align with the curriculum requirements of the UDC-CC Aviation Maintenance Technology program and are necessary to support: Structured laboratory instruction; Aircraft systems familiarization; Practical troubleshooting exercises; and Applied maintenance training.

- d) Substitution with non-equivalent equipment would compromise instructional continuity and reduce the realism and effectiveness of training activities.
- e) The requested equipment reflects aircraft systems and maintenance procedures commonly utilized throughout the aviation industry.
- f) Access to industry-relevant instructional equipment is necessary to ensure students develop competencies aligned with: FAA expectations; Aviation maintenance industry standards; and Employer workforce requirements.

CERTIFICATION OF FACTS BY CONTRACT SPECIALIST

I have reviewed the above findings and certify that there are sufficient justifications to use the Sole Source Procurement without Competition method under the cited statutory authority.

I recommend that the Contracting Officer approves the procurement procedures and method for this proposed contract.

5/15/2026

Date


Brian Brooks

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Contract Specialist

DETERMINATION

Based on the above findings and in accordance with D.C. Official Code: §§ 2-354.01(C) and 2-354.04(a); and Chapter 30 of Title 8(b), D.C.M.R.: §§ 3002,4(a) and 3019 – I hereby determine that the goods and/or services described herein should be procured from AeroTrain, Corp.

It is further determined that the cost to the University is fair and reasonable, and that this action is in the best interest of the University.


Stephanie A. Johnson, Vice President
Chief Contracting and Procurement Officer

5-19-2026

Date