

## SINGLE SOURCE CERTIFICATION

Authority is requested to make the following purchase under the provision of USF System Regulation USF4.02010(IV)(A)(2)(b) as a non-competitive purchase available from only one source. By submitting this form, department acknowledges that existing [exemptions](#) will not apply to this purchase. Single source requests exceeding \$75,000 must be signed by a Procurement Director and posted publicly for (3) business days.

DATE: 04/08/2025

ITEM(S): Gatan Clearview 1195 Digital Camera System for TEM

PRICE: \$ 262,055.00

FUND #: USF01-TPA-10000-211200-000000-0000000

SUPPLIER ID: \_\_\_\_\_ REQUISITION#: \_\_\_\_\_

SUPPLIER NAME: Gatan Inc.

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**In your words, describe the equipment, commodity, or contractual service. Explain how these specifications are essential to the accomplishment of your work:**

This camera is a very high resolution digital camera system specialized for our Transmission Electron Microscope. It allows for direct imaging of atomic scale resolution. It is replacing our 25 year old camera which is now at end of life with no support.

**In your own words, describe the reason(s) the item is not subject to competition from other sources and how the stated specification(s) restrict the requisition to only one supplier. Description may include unique features/compatibility/specifications/availability/delivery time frame etc. (Note: Price is not a valid reason).**

1. Gatan has a well-established infrastructure in the US. This helps to ensure a swift response time for service and support.
2. The system quoted directly replaces and enhances our current older camera.
3. Gatan is the OEM for FEI which originally supplied the TEM. We needed to stay with this company to stay OEM compliant (Current Annual service contract for TEM could be involved).
4. Detailed unique specifications are attached with a letter verifying this camera replaces the OEM.

**In your own words, describe the due diligence conducted to validate this supplier as Single Source. Description SHOULD list all other suppliers with item(s)/service(s) with similar functions, your efforts to identify other suppliers, and why these suppliers would not qualify to submit a competitive quote.**

1. Gatan has the largest US presence of any manufacturer of this type of equipment.
2. Capatability with the current TEM, Technical and customer support, lead times and availability of parts were considered priority for an instrument of this complexity.
3. Went with the OEM supplier that seems to have the largest customer base for this type of equipment in the US, with a large fraction of those customers being Research centers at other universities in the US.

DocuSigned by:

*Clifton James*

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Approved By (Procurement)

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