

**JUSTIFICATION FOR
SOLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT**

Agency: South Carolina Department of Motor Vehicles

Sole Source Vendor: R.L. Polk & Co. (IHS Markit)

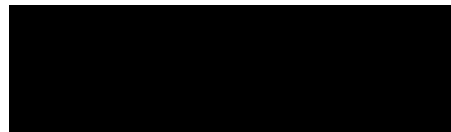
Based upon the following determination, Agency proposes to acquire the supplies, construction, information technology, and/or services described herein from the Vendor named above per S.C. Code Ann. §11-35-1560 and S.C. Regulation 19-445.2105, Sole Source Procurement.

Description of the Agency need that this procurement meets: Agency is required to validate Vehicle Identification Numbers when performing applicable vehicle titling transactions including correctly identifying vehicle specifications. In addition, the agency is required to send validated vehicle specific information to county government officials for use with performing county vehicle valuations for taxation purposes.

Description of market research Agency performed to determine the availability of products or services that would meet the Agency's needs: The agency needs to continue using the existing VIN identification service to maintain consistency with previous VIN validation and the integration into the agency's existing system of record. Extensive research, product demos, and technical architecture meetings would be needed to evaluate market research. SCDMV will be publishing a RFP to replace our core system (system modernization) this FY26 Q1.

Description of supplies, construction, information technology, and/or services Vendor will provide under the contract: Automotive VIntelligence service subscription. Correctly identify vehicle specifications including make, year model, model, trim level, fuel type, pre-1981 decoding, and RV Decoding. VIntelligence has the greatest coverage of vehicles on the road with automated VIN correction to help the agency properly identify a specific vehicle using a VIN.

Detailed explanation why no other vendor's supplies, construction, information technology, and/or services will meet the needs of the Agency: The VIntelligence service is integrated in the agency's systems and business processes and includes all the necessary requirements. The API integration is tied into the agency's custom system application.



Authorized Signature
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Title: Chief of Staff
Date: 6/5/2025

Notes:

**Authorized signature is the agency head unless the agency head has delegated that authority.
Delegation of authority must be submitted to the Materials Management Officer in writing.**

The Agency must obtain a Drug-free Workplace certification from the Vendor if the sole source procurement is \$50,000 or greater.