SOLE SOURCE:

Portland State University Research & Strategic Partnerships advertises that it intends to employ as Contractor, Karen Michelle Gunton to establish a business plan and organizational strategy for the new Center for Innovation and Entrepreneurship (CIE), working with key partners Oregon Entrepreneurs Network and Angel Oregon. Contractor will be retained as sole source from February, 2012, through January, 2013.

REQUIREMENTS/SPECIFICATIONS:

SOLE SOURCE:

Pursuant to OAR 580-062-0020(8) the Portland State University Office of Purchasing and Contracting has determined that Karen Michelle Gunton is a sole source provider for the services required to develop a business plan and organizational strategies for this endeavor because Ms. Gunton currently serves as the Chair of Angel Oregon and brings a key set of relationships to this role. Responsibilities include business planning, marketing, and raising capital. The Contractor retained must be experienced in strategic planning and business issues unique to start-up companies while also being familiar with the financial and investment community in Portland and with public policy leadership in the state responsible for capital investment. Ms. Gunton is well versed in the state's investment strategy and has direct access to key policymakers in the state, including the State Treasurer.

An entity may protest this determination no later than 1:00 p.m. on February 15, 2012. Protests must be submitted to the Portland State University Office of Purchasing and Contracting, 1881 SW 5th Avenue, University Center Building Room 465, or P.O. Box 751- MC: PUR, Portland, OR 97201. For additional information please email Bill Terry at <u>wterry@pdx.edu</u>.