

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Justification and Approval

For

Other Than Full and Open Competition

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1. **Contracting Organization:** Department of Veterans Affairs, VISN 08, 673 Medical Center
2. **Description of Action:** This is a request for other than full and open competition for the procurement of Hotel rooms and transportation of baggage fees from the Westin Snowmass Resort, Snowmass Village, Aspen, CO. This event is held annually for Veterans who have Brain, Spinal Cord Injuries, Lost Limbs etc and are going for the first time to attend this moral boosting, life transitions event.
3. **Description of Supplies or Services:** Hotel accommodations for eight Disabled Veterans and/or their caregiver for a total of four hotel rooms and transportation of baggage fees for disabled veterans attending National Disabled Veterans Winter Sports Clinic, Aspen, CO, March 29, 2014-April 5, 2014. Disabled veterans attend this national VA event as a part of the James A. Haley VA Hospital team.
4. **Statutory Authority:** *This is the law permitting other than full and open competition. The specific paragraph must be cited.*
(XX) (1) Only One Responsible Source and No Other Supplies or Services Will Satisfy Agency Requirements;
() (2) Unusual and Compelling Urgency;
() (3) Industrial Mobilization, Engineering, Developmental or Research Capability, or Expert Services;
() (4) International Agreement
() (5) Authorized or Required by Statute;
() (6) National Security; or
() (7) Public Interest
5. **Validity of Use of Statutory Authority:** Hotel is the host for National Disabled Veterans Winter Sports Clinic and contracted with Disabled American Veterans (DAV) for this specific event. Hotel is only one in close proximity to the event programming.
6. **Actions to Promote Competition:** Since this is a remote location in the Rocky Mountains of Colorado, hotel accommodations are spread apart. This hotel is hosting the event and others are a distance away from where the Winter Sports Clinic will take place.

7. **Determination of Fair and Reasonable Price:** The anticipated price to the Government is \$ 4,420.00 This price is set at the Government hotel rate for four rooms. \$155.00/night X 7 Nights Stay = \$1085.00 X 4 Hotel Rooms \$4340.00.
The Westin is transporting bags, wheelchairs, and equipment that will arrive on a separate aircraft two days earlier from the Airport to the Westin Snowmass Resort. A \$10.00 per person baggage transfer fee. \$10.00 X 8 Veterans = \$80.00
 $\$4340.00 + \$80.00 = \$4420.00$

8. **Market Survey (FAR 10):** Hotel is the host hotel specifically for this event. No other hotel available to accommodate needs of this event.

9. **Other Considerations:**

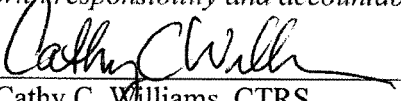
- a. All disabled veterans attending this event will be residing at this host hotel for the purpose of participating in this event.

10. **Listing of Sources that expressed, in writing, an interest in the acquisition:** No Others

11. **Statement of Actions to Overcome Barriers to Competition:** VACO will need to work with the DAV in hosting this event in a location with more Hotel Accommodation Options.

12. **Requirements Certification:** I certify that the requirement outlined in this justification is a bonafide need of the Department of Veterans Affairs and that the supporting data under my cognizance, which are included in the justification, are accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.


(this signature is the requestor's supervisor, fund control point official, chief of service, someone with responsibility and accountability)

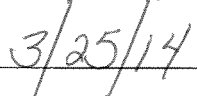

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March 19, 2014

13. **Approvals in accordance with FAR 6.304** This part if filled out by Contracting Staff as part of the Justification

- a. **Contracting Officer's Certification: (required)** I certify that the foregoing justification is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.


DONNETTE RYLAND
SUPERVISOR





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JOHNNY B. JONES
CONTRACT OFFICER



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MICHAEL PIERSON
CONTRACT SPECIALIST



March 25, 2014