

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

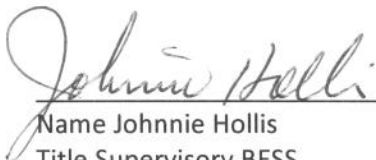
Justification and Approval

For

Other Than Full and Open Competition

1. **Contracting Activity:** Department of Veterans Affairs, VISN 16, CAVHS Medical Center  
4300 West 7th Street Little Rock, AR 72205 598-14-2-723-0242
2. **Nature and/or Description of the Action Being Processed:** *The justification for the use of other than full and open competition is contained in FAR 6.302-2, unusual and compelling urgency.*
3. **Description of Supplies/Services Required to Meet the Agency's Needs:** This purchase request is for the acquisition of a one-time repair of the COMBOLAB machine in our Cath Lab. This system is used to diagnose arterial blockages. The estimated value of this acquisition is \$10,400.00. The service will be provided by GE. *Vendor will repair the GE combolab hemodynamics monitoring system back to normal operating condition. The hard drive for the computer will need to be replaced and version 6.5.3 operating system will need to be reloaded.*
4. **Statutory Authority Permitting Other than Full and Open Competition:**
  - (X ) (1) Only One Responsible Source and No Other Supplies or Services Will Satisfy Agency Requirements per FAR 6.302-1;
  - (X ) (2) Unusual and Compelling Urgency per FAR 6.302-2;
  - ( ) (3) Industrial Mobilization, Engineering, Developmental or Research Capability or Expert Services per FAR 6.302-3;
  - ( ) (4) International Agreement per FAR 6.302-4
  - ( ) (5) Authorized or Required by Statute FAR 6.302-5;
  - ( ) (6) National Security per FAR 6.302-6;
  - ( ) (7) Public Interest per FAR 6.302-7;
5. **Demonstration that the Contractor's Unique Qualifications or Nature of the Acquisition Requires the Use of the Authority Cited Above (applicability of authority):** This is an urgent and compelling emergency request. The delay in award of this contract would result in serious injury, financial or other, to the Government. The COMBOLAB is a diagnostic piece of equipment used by the CATH Lab at CAVHS. The delay in the repair of this equipment causes Veteran's appointments to be cancelled or delayed. This causes a life threatening situation for the patient by delaying diagnoses. *GE has the trained field engineers to perform the required repair. They also have the correct version of software needed to return our system to normal function.*
6. **Description of Efforts Made to ensure that offers are solicited from as many potential sources as deemed practicable:** *None*
7. **Determination by the Contracting Officer that the Anticipated Cost to the Government will be Fair and Reasonable:** *The contracting officer's technical representative has determined the cost to be fair and reasonable based on 15 years of prior purchases of similar parts and services from multiple medical equipment repair companies.*

8. **Description of the Market Research Conducted and the Results, or a Statement of the Reasons Market Research Was Not Conducted:** Due to the proprietary nature of the software used with this system GE is the ONLY vendor who can support this type of repair. *The combolab is down with a hard drive crash and patient exams are being canceled or rescheduled until repairs are made. Cathlab manager has indicated two patient exams have already been canceled for this week and more will be canceled until repairs are completed.*
9. **Any Other Facts Supporting the Use of Other than Full and Open Competition:** The software used with this diagnostic system is proprietary and is only available thru GE.
10. **Listing of Sources that Expressed, in Writing, an Interest in the Acquisition:** GE Medical Systems 1-800-437-1171
11. **A Statement of the Actions, if any, the Agency May Take to Remove or Overcome any Barriers to Competition before Making subsequent acquisitions for the supplies or services required:** *We will continue to monitor the open market for vendors who can perform required repairs.*
12. **Requirements Certification:** I certify that the requirement outlined in this justification is a Bona Fide 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.

  
Name Johnnie Hollis  
Title Supervisory BESS  
Facility CAVHS V16

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2-21-2014  
Date

13. **Approvals in accordance with FAR 6.304**

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

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Jared L. Cariker  
Contracting Officer  
Jack C. Montgomery VAMC

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Date

- a. **P&C:** I certify that the foregoing justification is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

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Jeff Farley  
CHIEF, Division I Services Team  
Network Contracting Office 16

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Date

**MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD**

15 Jan 2013

**SUBJECT:** Delegation of Authority: Other Than Full and Open Competition, Network Contracting Office (NCO) 16


**REFERENCE:** Standard Operating Procedure (SOP), Other than Full and Open Competition (OFOC) Procurements, Department of Veterans Affairs, VHA Procurement Manual, Volume VI, Chapter VI, dated 01 November 2012.

**1. Purpose:** The Network Contracting Office (NCO) 16 Chiefs of Procurement and Contracting are hereby Delegated the Authority to sign for their facilities the Justifications in the referenced SOP. In the absence of the Chief of Purchasing and Contracting, the Deputy Network Contract Managers (DNCM) may sign the Justifications.

**2. Policy:** Effective immediately, the following approvals for the Justifications are implemented in regards to the referenced listed above:

<b>DOLLAR VALUE</b>	<b>J&amp;A SIGNATURES REQUIREMENT</b>
> \$3K BUT < \$150K	OFFICE CHIEF
> \$150 K BUT <\$500K	QA, NCM

3. All other signatures referenced within the SOP remain the same.

  
AARON VILLALPANDO  
NCO 16  
NETWORK CONTRACT MANAGER