

LIMITED SOURCES JUSTIFICATION

ORDER >\$3,000

FAR PART 8.405-6

2237 Transaction # or Vista Equipment Transaction #:

537-14-2-6985-0016, 537-14-110 Replace Switchgear Building 21

This acquisition is conducted under the authority of the Multiple Award Schedule Program. The material or service listed in par. 3 below is sole source, therefore, consideration of the number of contractors required by FAR Subpart 8.4 – Federal Supply Schedules, is precluded for the reasons indicated below.

Restricted to the following source: Provide *original manufacturer's* name for material or contractor's name for service. (If a sole source manufacturer distributes via dealers, *ALSO* provide dealer information.)

Manufacturer/Contractor: Square D by Schneider Electric

Manufacturer/Contractor POC & phone number: Steve Wilmes

Mfgr/Contractor Address: 3050 Finley Rd., Ste 301, Downers Grove, IL 60515

Dealer/Rep address/phone number: 847-925-3800

The requested material or service represents the minimum requirements of the Government.

(1) AGENCY AND CONTRACTING ACTIVITY:

Department of Veterans Affairs
GREAT LAKES ACQUISITION CENTER
115 S. 84TH STREET
SUITE 101
MILWAUKEE, WI 53214-1476
VISN 12

VISN :

(2) NATURE AND/OR DESCRIPTION OF ACTION BEING APPROVED:

3. Master electrical metering system: Schneider

(3) (a) A DESCRIPTION OF THE SUPPLIES OR SERVICES REQUIRED TO MEET THE AGENCY'S NEED:

1. Extending DVA mandated master electrical metering system.

(b) **ESTIMATED DOLLAR VALUE:** \$25,000

(c) **REQUIRED DELIVERY DATE:** N/a

(4) IDENTIFICATION OF THE JUSTIFICATION RATIONALE (SEE FAR 8.405-6), AND IF APPLICABLE, A DEMONSTRATION OF THE PROPOSED CONTRACTOR'S UNIQUE QUALIFICATIONS TO PROVIDE THE REQUIRED SUPPLY OR SERVICE.

Specific characteristics of the material or service that limit the availability to a sole source (unique features, function of the item, etc.). Describe in detail why only this suggested source can furnish the requirements to the exclusion of other sources.

1. This project will extend the existing advanced utility / electrical metering proprietary system, using some replacement parts and manufacturer specific programming protocol for the proper operation which allows the correct monitoring of the energy used per DVA requirements (VA National Advanced Metering Contract AEM GS-07F-9462G, VISN 12 integrated into the Schneider hosted EEM platform, in St. Louis).

SOP Other Than Full and Open Competition

Original Date (3/22/2011)

(5) DESCRIBE WHY YOU BELIEVE THE ORDER REPRESENTS THE BEST VALUE CONSISTENT WITH FAR 8.4 TO AID THE CONTRACTING OFFICER IN MAKING THIS BEST VALUE DETERMINATION:

All systems described are core to the safe operation of the facility and give a reasonable standard of care to the patients. VISN 12 has elected to put the all campuses on the same electrical metering and monitoring system for ease of operation, maintenance, energy management, etc. It would be impractical to use different systems at different locations throughout the VISN. Therefore, the most cost effective solution for expansions or upgrades to the system is to expand the existing Schneider/Square D system.

(6) DESCRIBE THE MARKET RESEARCH CONDUCTED AMONG SCHEDULE HOLDERS AND THE RESULTS OR A STATEMENT OF THE REASON MARKET RESEARCH WAS NOT CONDUCTED:

This product has been selected as a "VA standard" VISN wide. The system contains proprietary protocols and is the only product that is fully compatible with the existing VISN wide electrical metering system.

(7) ANY OTHER FACTS SUPPORTING THE JUSTIFICATION:

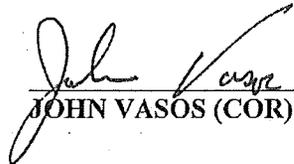
All these systems and agreements were based on competitive bid awards meeting the VA standards

(8) A STATEMENT OF THE ACTIONS, IF ANY, THE AGENCY MAY TAKE TO REMOVE OR OVERCOME ANY BARRIERS THAT LED TO THE RESTRICTED CONSIDERATION BEFORE ANY SUBSEQUENT ACQUISITION FOR THE SUPPLIES OR SERVICES IS MADE:

It is not practical to have multiple systems or agreements for these specific systems

(9). Certifications:

I hereby certify that the data provided above is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.



JOHN VASOS (COR)

3/25/2014
Date

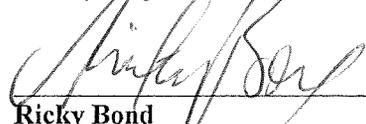
I hereby determine that the circumstances of this contract action deem only one source reasonably available.



Anne Vossler
Contracting Officer

3/28/2014
Date

I certify the justification meets requirements for other than full and open competition.



Ricky Bond
Contracting Officer Supervisor, Construction Team
Network Contracting Office 12, GLAC

3/25/2014
Date