

Attachment B: Request for Sole Source Memo Format

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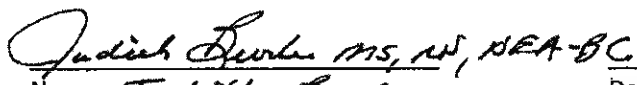
Justification and Approval

For

Other Than Full and Open Competition

1. **Contracting Activity:** Department of Veterans Affairs, VISN 19, Denver VA Medical Center, 1055 Clermont St., Denver, Colorado will enter into a Purchase Order that requires justification for other than full and open competition procedures.
2. **Nature and/or Description of the Action Being Processed:** The Denver VA Medical Center shall acquire two ultrasound systems using open market procedures through other than full and open competition due to unique requirements of the Denver VA Medical Center.
3. **Description of Supplies/Services Required to Meet the Agency's Needs:** The awarded contractor is to provide four ultrasound systems for guided vascular access with the following features: 1) 3CG tip location system which will increase patient safety and accuracy; 2) the ability to use this machine with only one practitioner without breaking sterility; 3) the ability to record images for documentation and training purposes. The ultrasound machines with tip location system being requested are used specifically to assist the practitioner in inserting central venous catheters and arterial lines. These machines are being requested by the Vascular Access Team for use with in-patients and out-patients for the placement of peripherally inserted central catheters (PICC) lines. The tip location system is used to guide the practitioner in the proper placement of the catheter for optimal benefits and minimal risk to the patient. This particular tip location system has been approved by the FDA to verify tip location without the need of a chest radiograph on most patients. http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/cdrh_docs/pdf11/K113808.pdf. We are requesting four Site~Rite Vision II Ultrasound One Probe System (9770170) @ \$ 25,800.00 each, four 3CG Stand Alone Tip Confirmation System @ \$ 4,500.00 each, and four Brother Printer with Mounting Hardware (9770187) @ \$ 1,500.00 each.
4. **Statutory Authority Permitting Other than Full and Open Competition:** 41 USC §253(g), as implemented by FAR 6.302.
 - (x) (1) Only One Responsible Source and No Other Supplies or Services Will Satisfy Agency Requirements per FAR 6.302-1;
 - () (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): The Bard ultrasound system being requested is the only system available that meets our requirements for the tip location system and is compatible with the catheters and needleguide supplies that we purchase. This system is the only system available that incorporates the ultrasound technology, tip navigation system, and ECG confirmation of tip location in one system. No other vendor can provide a system complete with all of these technologies which increase successful placements of central catheters and decreases risks associated with placing these catheters.
6. Description of Efforts Made to ensure that offers are solicited from as many potential sources as deemed practicable: A review of other systems available was done and no other systems meet the needs of the facility. See paragraph 5 above.
7. Determination by the Contracting Officer that the Anticipated Cost to the Government will be Fair and Reasonable: The anticipated cost should be fair and reasonable to the government based upon similar products purchased and market research.
8. Description of the Market Research Conducted and the Results, or a Statement of the Reasons Market Research Was Not Conducted: Market research indicates that no other contractor is capable to perform the requirements requested above. Market research entailed internet research, review of other systems at vendor fairs at nursing conferences, and FSS research and phone calls with technical experts associated with this project.
9. Any Other Facts Supporting the Use of Other than Full and Open Competition: None. See Items 5 above.
10. Listing of Sources that Expressed, in Writing, an Interest in the Acquisition: See Section VI above.
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: It is not anticipated that any subsequent requirement will be needed by the Government.
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.
(This signature is the requestor's supervisor, fund control point official, chief of service, someone with responsibility and accountability)

 05/27/2017
Name Judith Burke Date
Title Associate Director for Patient Care Services
Facility VA ECHCS

13. Approvals in accordance with FAR 6.304 This part is 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.

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28 May 14
Date

- b. **VISN/PCA QA (Required \$3K and above):** I certify that the foregoing justification is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

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- c. **NCM/PCM (Required \$3K and above):** I certify the justification meets requirements for other than full and open competition.

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Name Gary Arwood
Network Contract Manager O.D.O.C.
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Date

- d. **SAO QA (If over 500K):** I certify that the foregoing justification is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

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- e. **SAO (If over 500K):** I certify the justification meets requirements for other than full and open competition.