

## **Limited Sources Justification – Walla Walla Enhanced Use Lease**

Upon the basis of the following justification, I hereby approve the issuance of the contractual action described below using other than full and open competition, pursuant to the authority cited herein.

### **1. Contracting Activity:**

Department of Veterans Affairs (VA)  
Office of Construction & Facilities Management (CFM)  
425 I Street  
Washington, D.C. 20001

### **2. Nature of Action Being Approved:**

This Justification and Approval sets forth the facts and requests approval to allow the negotiations and issuance of an EUL support contract without competition to: ICF Incorporated LLC, 9300 Lee Highway, Fairfax, VA 22031. This logical follow-on contract shall allow for a Phase III Archaeological Study services to VA's Office of Asset Enterprise Management OAEM. The period of performance for this requirement shall not exceed six months from date of award.

### **3. Description of Services and Supplies:**

The purpose of this contract is to continue acquiring archaeological support services in order to complete EUL negotiations for the Walla Walla EUL. The Phase III Archaeological Study may include excavation, documentation/curation of artifacts, laboratory analysis, meetings with both VAMC staff and OAEM as well as draft and final report preparation.

### **4. Authority and Supporting Rationale:**

This acquisition is being conducted under the authority of FAR 8.405-6, Limiting Sources. In accordance with FAR 8.405-6(a)(1)(i)(C), "... In the interest of economy and efficiency, the new work is a logical follow-on to an original Federal Supply Schedule order..." The current award was competitively solicited and awarded in accordance to FAR 8.405-2(c)(2)(ii)

The above justification for the sole source is also supported by the following:

1. ICF prepared the Phase II archaeological study for the Walla Walla EUL site. ICF has provided archaeological support to the Office of Asset Enterprise Management since July 2013.
2. The specific EUL support and deliverable typically provided by a consultant have been fulfilled, but due to unforeseen circumstances require further archaeological study to allow VA to conclude its negotiations. Since the

findings from the Phase II Archaeological Study require a Phase III Archaeological Study the VA can best be served by using the original contractor who was providing the Phase II services. By going directly to ICF, VA will save both time and money incurred when contracting a new Archaeological service provider.

3. The Walla Walla EUL project is still in negotiations and the unique archaeological nature of the EUL site necessitates further study.
4. Changing EUL archaeological support during this negotiation process would be counterproductive and can be costly because ICF has the experience, knowledge, and performance to assist VA with the remaining specific tasks.
5. Supporting this EUL negotiation process requires immediate knowledge of existing archaeological features and the ability to pick up the Phase III study where the Phase II ended.

**5. Best Value Determination:**

The contracting officer has determined that issuing the proposed task Order to ICF Incorporated, LLC represents the best overall value to meet the Government's needs. Additionally, this logical follow-on will be issued in accordance with FAR 8.404; and as stated in FAR 8.404(d), "GSA has already determined the prices of supplies and fixed-price services, and rates for services offered at hourly rates, under schedule contracts to be fair and reasonable. Therefore, ordering activities are not required to make a separate determination of fair and reasonable pricing, except for a price evaluation as required by 8.405-2(d)."

**6. Description of the market survey Conducted or statement of the reasons a market survey was not conducted:**

This logical follow-on is relying on previous market research that was conducted for solicitation number VA101-13-Q-0134. It has been determined that conducting a competitive solicitation for these services would result in an interruption of services that are critical to the VA. ICF has a workforce in place and they are the only contractor that ensures the continued performance of the required services will happen without any delay.

**7. Any other facts supporting the justification:**

None

**8. Actions to remove future barriers to competition:**

None

**9. Evidence that any supporting data that is the responsibility of technical or requirements personnel and which form a basis for the justification have been certified as complete and accurate by requirements personnel:**

All technical and requirements certifications which form the basis for the justification have been certified as complete and accurate by technical personnel.

I certify that the facts and representations included in this justification meet the minimum needs and schedule requirements of the procurement and reflect the basis for other than full and open competition in a complete and accurate manner.

By email

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Kelli Emery  
Portfolio Manager  
Office of Asset Enterprise Management

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Date

**CONTRACTING OFFICER CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that the anticipated cost to the government is fair and reasonable and that this justification is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

  
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Maina Gakure  
Contracting Officer  
Construction & Facilities Management (CFM)

*June 18, 2014*  
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Date