

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Justification and Approval

For

Other Than Full and Open Competition

1. **Contracting Activity:** Department of Veterans Affairs, VISN 11 VA Illiana Health Care System Danville, Illinois 61832 Station 550
2. **Nature and/or Description of the Action Being Processed:** On July 10, 2014 at 7:15am Engineering Service was requested to report to Information Resource Management Computer Server Room to assess failure of the UPS that serves the Computer Server Room. The UPS had batteries that were beginning to boil out of the 64 unit battery bank. After assessment, it was determined that the entire bank of UPS batteries, all 64 needed to be replaced to assure computer server room would not fail due to brown out conditions. The building UPS for the computer server room was bypassed and Engineering Service ran the emergency generator to the building to support power failure. However, the computer server room was not protected for brown out conditions. After assessment Engineering Service needed to have 64 UPS12400MR batteries shipped by fastest route possible to make this urgent repair.
3. **Description of Supplies/Services Required to Meet the Agency's Needs:** Required company to expedite shipment of 64 UPS1240MR batteries within 24 hours of UPS failure to computer server room at the hospital. Total Cost: \$24,000.00. POP: 07/11/2014. Illinois Battery, 2504 N. Maattis, Champaign, IL 61826.
4. **Statutory Authority Permitting Other than Full and Open Competition:**

(x) (2) Unusual and Compelling Urgency per FAR 6.302-2;

5. **Demonstration that the Contractor's Unique Qualifications or Nature of the Acquisition Requires the Use of the Authority Cited Above (applicability of authority):**

b. Unusual and Compelling Urgency (FAR 6.302-2, 6.303-2(a)(9)(ii))

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6. **Description of Efforts Made to ensure that offers are solicited from as many potential sources as deemed practicable:**

Illini Battery Corp is a small business that we utilize for battery procurement at the facility. Due to the need to expedite we utilized this same company as we needed the batteries en route ASAP.

7. **Determination by the Contracting Officer that the Anticipated Cost to the Government will be Fair and Reasonable:**

Cost of batteries and shipment costs to expedite were determined fair and reasonable. Government estimated \$24,000.00 Actual cost was \$20,528.48

8. **Description of the Market Research Conducted and the Results, or a Statement of the Reasons Market Research Was Not Conducted:**

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9. **Any Other Facts Supporting the Use of Other than Full and Open Competition:**

Urgency of procurement dictated need to expedite order

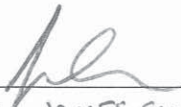
10. **Listing of Sources that Expressed, in Writing, an Interest in the Acquisition**

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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:**

Due to the nature of the failure we do not anticipate having to make this type of procurement again.

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 JAMES CULUM
Title CHIEF, ENGINEER
Facility 550

7/14/14
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.

Name
Title
Network 11 Contracting Office

Date

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

Name
Director of Contracting/Supervisory Contract Specialist (as appropriate)
Network 11 Contracting Office

Date

- c. **SAO(If over \$650K):** I certify the justification meets requirements for other than full and open competition.

Ricky L. Lemmon
SAO Director
Central Region

Date

- d. **VHA HCA Review and Approval:** I have reviewed the foregoing justification and find it to be complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief and recommend approval (if over \$12.5 million) or approve (\$650K to \$12.5 million) for other than full and open competition.

NORBERT S. DOYLE
Chief of Procurement and Logistics Officer
VHA, Head of Contracting Activity (HCA)

Date

- e. **VA Deputy Senior Procurement Executive Approval (over \$12.5 million but not exceeding \$50 million):** I have reviewed the foregoing justification and find it to be complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief and approve for other than full and open competition.

C. FORD HEARD
Deputy Senior Procurement Executive (DSPE)
Assistant Secretary for Acquisition and Logistics
Department of Veterans Affairs

Date

- f. **VHA Senior Procurement Executive Approval (over \$50 million):** I have reviewed the foregoing justification and find it to be complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief and approve for other than full and open competition.

JAN R. FRYE
Deputy Assistant Secretary for Acquisition and Logistics
Senior Procurement Executive (SPE)
Department of Veterans Affairs

Date

EVERY BATTERY FOR EVERY NEED

Prepared for
ED DEMOSS

Prepared on
07-10-14

Valid through:

DANVILLE VA

08-10-14

PART #	DESCRIPTION	P A C K A G E	QTY.	PRICE	TOTAL
SLA0109	UPS12400MR		64	279.00	17856.00
FREIGHT	DEDICATED TRK				2672.48
	R&L CARRIERS				

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