

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS
Justification and Approval
For
Other Than Full and Open Competition

1. Contracting Activity:

Department of Veterans Affairs
Network 16 Contracting Activity
Overton Brooks VA Medical Center
510 E. Stoner
Shreveport, LA 71101

Transaction #: 667-14-3-515-0427

2. Nature and/or Description of the Action Being Processed:

Urgent, major refurbishment of Flexible Video Bronchoscope, Model BF-1T160, s/n 1412028, EE# 26141 for Overton Brooks VA Medical Center, Shreveport, LA.

3. Description of Supplies/Services Required to Meet the Agency's Needs: The Contractor shall provide all management, supervision, qualified personnel, tools, supplies, materials, equipment, and other items and services necessary to refurbish Model BF-1T160, Flexible Video Bronchoscope, s/n 1412028 of Overton Brooks VA Medical Center (OBVAMC), Shreveport, LA.

Estimated dollar value [REDACTED]

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;
() (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 specialty scope is used for direct patient care to diagnose diseases of the respiratory tract to include cancer. Expedited repair is required to alleviate costly outsourcing (\$5,000 per study) of diagnostic procedures. To have the scope repaired by any source other than Olympus would violate the terms of the items warranty. This is not cost effective and does not make good business sense.

6. Description of Efforts Made to ensure that offers are solicited from as many potential sources as deemed practicable: Market research was conducted via searched of VetBiz, GSA, SB, and Internet by the Contracting Office and no other company was found to be capable of meeting the government's requirement.

7. Determination by the Contracting Officer that the Anticipated Cost to the Government will be Fair and Reasonable: *FAR Part 13.106(a)(2)(ii)* governs this sort of repair with Olympus America, Inc. The price quoted for this repair is in line with the price paid for similar small purchases, as stated by the Supervisor of the Biomedical Engineering Section based on his experience with this type of repair/exchange. Therefore, the cost is considered fair and reasonable.

8. Description of the Market Research Conducted and the Results, or a Statement of the Reasons Market Research Was Not Conducted: As described in Section VI above, market research, in accordance with FAR Part 10, was conducted by the Contracting Office of the proposed acquisition, advising industry of the pending acquisition and soliciting inquiries from interested parties.

9. Any Other Facts Supporting the Use of Other than Full and Open Competition: This Flexible Video Bronchoscope was manufactured by Olympus America, Inc. They are the only company than can provide this urgent, major refurbishment. The utilization of the Service Distribution Center Endoscopes Repair Program via 1358 obligation for the repair was discovered after the bronchoscope was shipped to the Olympus. To avoid more unnecessary cost it would be advantageous to the government to procure the service from Olympus this one time.

10. Listing of Sources that Expressed, in Writing, an Interest in the Acquisition:
See Section 6 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: Efforts will continue to find other companies being authorized to refurbish, repair, maintain, or otherwise service equipment manufactured by Olympus America, Inc.

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.


JAMES R. SLEPICKA, CBEI

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Overton Brooks VA Medical Center
NETWORK 16 CONTRACTING ACTIVITY

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.


Tina Harris

Contracting Officer
NCO-16, BILOXI

7-16-14
Date

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

7/16/2014
Bennett Smith

Chief, Purchasing & Contracting
NCO-16 Biloxi, DIV II SER B


Date