

## DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

### Justification and Approval

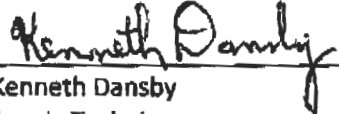
#### For

#### Other Than Full and Open Competition

1. **Contracting Activity:** The Department of Veterans Affairs, NCO 6, Durham VA Medical Center intends to execute a Justification for Other than Full and Open Competition for purchase request 565-14-4-072-3088.
2. **Nature and/or Description of the Action Being Processed:**  
In accordance with FAR 11.105 (a) (1), The particular brand name, product, or feature is essential to the Government's requirement, and market research indicates other companies' similar products are lacking these particular feature, do not meet, or cannot be modified to meet , the agency needs. This justification is in support of procurement of a Brand Name product Dilator, GI Ballon Catheters and Device, Endo Inflation Syringe. The action will be awarded as a new firm fixed priced contract.
3. **Description of Supplies/Services Required to Meet the Agency's Needs:** VA Fayetteville Medical Center has a requirement to supplement their existing stock of Dilator Ballon Catherers and and Endo Syringes. The desire is to procure the same brand name product, thus ensuring standardization of all at the facility.
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:**  
The required gastrointestinal instruments are already in use at the VAMC Fayetteville, and comply with the required safe patient handling specifications and features that many other products in the market place can not meet. The characteristics of the Dilator GI Balloon is fixed wire inflated diameter 15-16.5-18mm, 6 french balloon length 8 cm, catheter lenth 180cm with sterile cre required working channel 2.8mm latex-free. The Endo Device is an inflation syringe alliance II, 60cc with pressure gauge sterile and disposable. These items provides sterile procedures to prevent any

6. **Description of Efforts Made to ensure that offers are solicited from as many potential sources as deemed practicable:** Market research shows there are several potential providers that can supply this product.
7. **Determination by the Contracting Officer that the Anticipated Cost to the Government will be Fair and Reasonable:** Price reasonableness will be determined by comparing market research pricing against the independent government estimate (IGCE).
8. **Description of the Market Research Conducted and the Results, or a Statement of the Reasons Market Research Was Not Conducted:** Market research conducted by the Contracting Officer included internet searches, including Thomas Net.com and manufacturers website.
9. **Any Other Facts Supporting the Use of Other than Full and Open Competition:**
10. **Listing of Sources that Expressed, in Writing, an Interest in the Acquisition:** Boston Scientific, Abbott Laboratories, Cardinal Health 200, Cook Medical, Surgical Tools and Government Scientific.
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:**  
No actions to overcome barriers to competition are known at this time. In the future , if another manufacturer develops the required added safety features noted on the Brand Name request, a contract could be competitively awarded in support of the Medical Center's future requirements.

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.

  
Kenneth Dansby  
Supply Technician  
VAMC Fayetteville

8-26-14  
Date

**13. Of similar testing 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.



Harriet Reynolds  
Contract Specialist  
VISN 6

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Date

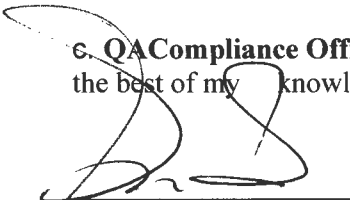
- b. **NCM/DESIGNEE:** I certify the justification meets requirements for other than full and open competition.



Angel Rhone  
Supervisory Contract Specialist  
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- c. **QA Compliance Officer:** I certify that the foregoing justification is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.



Shauna Thomas  
QA Compliance Officer

8/26/14  
Date