

JUSTIFICATION FOR SINGLE SOURCE AWARDS IAW FAR 13.106-1
(OVER MICRO-PURCHASE THRESHOLD(\$3K) BUT NOT EXCEEDING THE SAT (\$150K))

IAW [FAR13.104](#), COs must promote competition to the maximum extent practicable to obtain supplies and services from the source whose offer is the most advantageous to the Government, considering the administrative cost of the purchase. When competition is not practicable, IAW [FAR13.106-1\(b\)](#), COs solicit from a single source for purchases not exceeding the simplified acquisition threshold. COs may solicit from one source if the CO determines that the circumstances of the contract action deem only one source reasonably available (e.g., urgency, exclusive licensing agreements, brand-name or industrial mobilization). IAW [FAR13.106-3\(b\)\(3\)](#), COs are required to include additional statements **explaining the absence of competition** (see [13.106-1](#) for brand name purchases) if only one source is solicited and the acquisition does not exceed the simplified acquisition threshold (does not apply to an acquisition of utility services available from only one source) or supporting the award decision if other than price-related factors were considered in selecting the supplier. This template when completed can be used to document single source awards IAW [FAR13.106-3\(b\)\(3\)](#). Note: Statements such as "only known source" or "only source which can meet the required delivery date" are inadequate to support a sole source purchase.

1. PURCHASE REQUEST OR REQUISITION NUMBER:

764-15-1-077-0157

**1A. PROJECT/TASK
NUMBER**

1B. ESTIMATED AMOUNT:

\$17,171.16

2. BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF SUPPLIES OR SERVICES REQUIRED AND THE INTENDED USE:

The Hines COMP, 5th and Roosevelt Hines, IL, is requesting approval to purchase the following brand name and NDC specific drug item:

1. Bisacodyl 10mg (Magic Bullett) Rtl Supp, NDC 57648-0002-01, 100 BX of 6
2. One Touch Ultra (Glucose) Test Strip, NDC 53885-0245-10, 120 BX of 100
3. Penlet Plus Lancet Device, NDC 53885-0356-01, 96 BX
4. Prodigy No Code(Glucose) Test Strip, NDC 08484-0528-00192 BX of 50

This is a new procurement and will be a firm-fixed price contract.

3. UNIQUE CHARACTERISTICS THAT LIMIT AVAILABILITY TO ONLY ONE SOURCE, WITH THE REASON NO OTHER SUPPLIES OR SERVICES CAN BE USED:

Product to be acquired has been prescribed for patients by VA physicians. Pharmacy employees do not have the training and/or authority to countermand physicians' orders. "Brand Name or NDC Specific" products are the same as "dispense as Written" on physicians prescription. No NDC substitutions are permitted.

4. REASON THAT SUGGESTED SOURCE IS THE ONLY SOURCE, WHICH CAN PROVIDE THE SUPPLIES OR SERVICES:

In the VA, Pharmacy Benefits Management (PBM) has determined that CMOP IDs in the National Drug File (NDF) will most always identify "Brand Specific" products in the VA Print Name. This is not always inclusive where a particular NDC has been determined to be "formulation specific" by clinical evaluation performed by the PBM or in the case where only one product in the marketplace has been identified to contain the specific ingredients to match the product code.

5. DESCRIPTION OF MARKET RESEARCH CONDUCTED AND RESULTS OR STATEMENT WHY IT WAS NOT CONDUCTED:

After searching NAC & GSA, there are no available contracts for these items. A search of the Center for Veteran Enterprise Vendor Information Pages indicates there are no SDVOSB or VOSB vendors which are engaged in the manufacture of pharmaceuticals. A query at the SBA Dynamic Search portal returned 44 possible small business vendors. However, these vendors are not engaged in manufacture, but are distributors for large business wholesalers. Because the Government is not allowed to do business using Wholesale Trade or Retail Trade NAICS codes, searches must be conducted using the manufacture NAICS code of 325412 Pharmaceutical Preparation Manufacturing.

6. Contracting Officer's Certification: *Purchase is approved in accordance with FAR13.106-1(b). I certify that the foregoing justification is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.*

Signature: _____

Date: 01/21/2015

Name: John Fisher

Title: Contracting Officer

Facility: VISN 15, CMOP