DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Justification and Approval (J&A)
For
Other Than Full and Open Competition

1. **Contracting Activity:** Department of Veterans Affairs, VISN 23, Iowa City Medical Center NCO 23 Iowa City, Project Number 636-311.

2. **Nature and/or Description of the Action Being Processed:** Powerlogic monitoring by SqD on distribution panels and secondary sub-stations.

3. **Description of Supplies/Services Required to Meet the Agency's Needs:** Powerlogic monitoring by SqD on a minimum of one distribution panel, PL #640 option, and one secondary sub-station, SqD PM850. Estimated cost is [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 facility determined about 20 years ago to invest in an electrical monitoring system. Over the years, the system has been added to. VACO within the last few years procured electrical monitoring of all facility's utilities and selected SqD. PowerLogic is SqD monitoring/metering system. This project will add to the existing system by adding PowerLogic to several main distribution panels.

6. **Description of Efforts Made to ensure that offers are solicited from as many potential sources as deemed practicable:** Several electrical manufacturers provide electrical monitoring/metering such as Siemens and General Electric.

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

8. **Description of the Market Research Conducted and the Results, or a Statement of the Reasons Market Research Was Not Conducted:** Market research was not completed for this item as it is the selected system for the Medical Center.

9. **Any Other Facts Supporting the Use of Other than Full and Open Competition:** New Components must tie into an existing, operational system. At this time, there are no competing vendors whose products are fully compatible with our existing system.

10. **Listing of Sources that Expressed, in Writing, an Interest in the Acquisition:** None

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**: There are no other vendors available who have fully integrated products for the Power Logic. If, in the future, other vendors are capable of supplying such products, the Iowa City VA HCS will open competition to their products.

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.

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13. **Approvals in accordance with the VHAPM, Volume 6, Chapter VI: OFOC SOP**.

a. **Contracting Officer's Certification (required):** I certify that the foregoing justification is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Michael Casper
Contracting Officer
NCO 23 Construction Contracting Office
Des Moines Division

1/16/15
Date