

**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:**

583-15-2-943-1901

**1A. PROJECT/TASK  
NUMBER**

N/A

**1B. ESTIMATED AMOUNT: \**

\$24,000

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

Annuloplasty ring mitral/atrial heart valves

Quantity: 6

Edwards Lifesciences Corp., One Edwards Way, Irvine, CA92614

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

Emergency Order. Surgically implanted products are specified by the clinical team to meet the unique and comprehensive needs of each Veteran with an identified medical indication. The specific product described above has been determined by the clinical team to be the best product to treat the Veteran patient's medical condition and functional limitations. Substituting an implant with other than that specifically prescribed is beyond the role, competency and professional functions of the Contract Specialist and would be detrimental to the treatment of the Veteran patient. Full and open competition for the above described implant negates the clinician's subject matter expertise as related to the medical treatment for the individual Veteran. In this case the by-name device(s) is/are the specific prescription and method of treatment for the Veteran-patient. Delay in receiving these items would negatively impact patient care as they are used for direct patient care and cases would have to be delayed or cancelled if the supplies are not available.

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

The manufacturer is the only source that can provide the items because of the clinical determination to use this manufacturer's product.

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

No market research was conducted as the clinician has determined that this manufacturer's item is the only item that can meet the specific needs of the veteran.

**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:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Title:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Facility:** \_\_\_\_\_