

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: PR: 585-15-2-6985-0200 Upgrade Fire Alarm System	1A. PROJECT/TASK NUMBER 585-14-102	1B. ESTIMATED AMOUNT: Project Estimate: \$470,000; Simplex Estimated amount: \$125,000
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2. BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF SUPPLIES OR SERVICES REQUIRED AND THE INTENDED USE: The Upgrade Fire Alarm System project includes the replacement/upgrade of a portion of the existing Simplex Grinnell Fire Alarm System components throughout the campus. Simplex Grinnell will replace outdated controlling units, replace a portion of the initiating and notification devices, add initiating and notification devices where required, and replace other FA component where required. The majority of the initiating and notification devices throughout the campus will not be replaced.

3. UNIQUE CHARACTERISTICS THAT LIMIT AVAILABILITY TO ONLY ONE SOURCE, WITH THE REASON NO OTHER SUPPLIES OR SERVICES CAN BE USED: Per National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) 72 – National Fire Alarm and Signaling Code, paragraph 10.3.3 "all devices and appliances that receive their power from the initiating device circuit or signaling line circuit of a control unit shall be listed for use with that control unit" Given the fact that only a portion of the devices and controllers are being replaced, and Simplex devices are only listed for Simplex controlling units, no other device manufacturer can be utilized.

4. REASON THAT SUGGESTED SOURCE IS THE ONLY SOURCE, WHICH CAN PROVIDE THE SUPPLIES OR SERVICES:
Per the unique characteristics described above to meet NFPA 72 and the project is not a complete system replacement, only Simplex Grinnell can provide the services to comply with the Code.

5. DESCRIPTION OF MARKET RESEARCH CONDUCTED AND RESULTS OR STATEMENT WHY IT WAS NOT CONDUCTED:
Since it was determined that Simplex Grinnell was the only supplier which could complete the Project and meet the requirements of NFPA 72, no Market Research was conducted.

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: 4-6-2015

Name: JEFFREY GERBENSKY

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