

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:

531-15-2-9996-0047

**1A. PROJECT/TASK
NUMBER**

1B. ESTIMATED AMOUNT:

(redacted)

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

Brand name justification for Stryker SPI3-DTR-MULTIMEDIA SUITE-15-INPUT/13-OUTPUT (qty. 2) and Stryker STRYKCAM 2 IN-LIGHT CAMERA package (qty. 1).

The Boise VA Medical Center is currently renovating the final two surgery suites of a four-suite renovation project. Each surgery suite is designed for full surgical integration, and to utilize identical equipment for consistency in equipment operation to improve patient outcomes by reducing the inherent risks of requiring operating room staff to be trained on multiple systems.

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

The two previously renovated surgery suites currently use Stryker branded integration equipment, and the first phase of this project also included the installation of Stryker branded video routing and other integration equipment. Due to proprietary interfaces and the need for consistent integration, only Stryker branded equipment has been determined to be capable of meeting the government's needs.

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

Throughout the duration of this project, market research has been conducted on an ongoing basis to determine the availability of supplies capable of meeting the government's needs. In May 2014, a sources sought notice was published through the Government-wide Point of Entry in an effort to determine the availability of surgical integration equipment.

5. 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: April 9, 2015

Name: William J. Blyth

Title: Contracting Officer

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