

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:
764-15-3-077-0525

**1A. PROJECT/TASK
NUMBER**
None

1B. ESTIMATED AMOUNT:
\$51,027.84 (J&A Total)
\$113,302.32 (Procurement Total)

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

One Touch Ultra Glucose Test Strips – NDC 53885-0245-10

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

The product listed above is being requested to fill prescriptions where the clinical provider specifically requested this brand for the veteran. When prescriptions are entered as "Dispense as Written" the pharmacy is not allowed to substitute any other brand in place of the prescribed product, but can only fill the prescription with the brand that was ordered by the clinician.

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

An alternate brand of test strip cannot be used in place of the required name brand product. The One Touch Ultra Glucose Test Strips are specific to the type of glucose monitor the patient has, and the manufacturer of the monitor does not guarantee accurate glucose readings if third party test strips are used. It is imperative that patients receive accurate glucose reading to facilitate the proper treatment of their medical condition; therefore it has been determined necessary to use the name brand testing strips to reduce the risk of a patient receiving an inaccurate blood glucose reading.

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

A search of the National Acquisition Center and GSA Advantage did not yield results showing the required name brand test strips on a national contract.

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: _____
Name: Vernon J Hoobler
Title: Contracting Officer
Facility: Murfreesboro CMOP

Date: _____