

**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:

538-15-3-6983-0050 Replace Work Therapy Greenhouse

**1A. PROJECT/TASK
NUMBER**

538-13-103

1B. ESTIMATED AMOUNT:

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

This is just a small portion of a construction project to construct a new greenhouse workshop therapy space and demolish the existing workshop. We are requesting approval for brand name sole source Simplex Grinnell System for Fire Detection on this construction project. The Chillicothe VAMC has this equipment throughout the facility and it covered by a manufacturer's comprehensive warranty program.

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

1. The existing VAMC Chillicothe campus Fire Detection equipment is comprised of a Simplex-Grinnell System which was recently installed across campus. The necessity to maintain consistency with Simplex Grinnell equipment is imperative for the continued communication of said Fire Detection System/Mass Notification System. The equipment that will be provided under this project is covered by a manufacturers comprehensive warranty program and must be installed by a certified contractor.

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

It is felt to be in the best interest of the Government to use this product to make sure the integrity of our fire detection/mass notification equipment is kept intact. It is imperative that the continued communication of the system be consistent for the safety of the facility.

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

This product is uniquely specific. While there may be other materials that have comparable qualities, they do not provide an exact match. There are numerous Simplex-Grinnell certified vendors who can provide the work described in the project.

Chapter VI: Other Than Full and Open Competition (OFOC) SOP
Attachment 4: Single Source Justification for SAP under \$150K

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.*

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