

## JUSTIFICATION FOR SINGLE SOURCE AWARDS IAW FAR 13.106-1

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:**  
459-16-1-041-0006

**1A. PROJECT/TASK  
NUMBER**

**1B. ESTIMATED AMOUNT:**  
[REDACTED]

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

This is a request for other than full and open competition for the procurement of continued service maintenance and calibration for audiology equipment at the VAPIHCS and American Samoa clinic. Audiology equipment must be routinely calibrated in order to insure proper performance and diagnosis.

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

The audiology equipment owned by the VAPIHCS is manufactured by Grason-Stadler. These products contain specialized software, parts, and technology.

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

Only one source is reasonably available because MSR West is the sole source distributor for Grason-Stadler products and services for the State of Hawaii and American Samoa. Semi-annual calibration and repair services are needed as required by manufacturer specifications and to insure proper care of veterans.

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

Other local hospitals that utilize these same machines must also use M.S.R. West, Inc. as the service provider. Market research indicates [REDACTED] on Oahu all utilize M.S.R. West for calibration of audiology equipment.

A review of the Grason-Stadler website ([http://www.grason-stadler.com/index.php?option=com\\_locator&id=149&Itemid=38](http://www.grason-stadler.com/index.php?option=com_locator&id=149&Itemid=38)) and the Audiometrics website (<http://www.audiometrics.net/home/states/hawaii/>) indicates that MSR West is the sole authorized distributor for the State of Hawaii.

**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:** 7/21/15

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

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

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