

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:
673-15-4-046-0666

**1A. PROJECT/TASK
NUMBER**

1B. ESTIMATED AMOUNT:
8,900.00

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

This is a request for the EMERGENCY PROCUREMENT of Philips Epiq 5 ultrasound system L12-3 (MVT) compact transducer at the James A. Haley Veterans Hospital (JAHVH). The transducer has been damaged and needs to be exchanged immediately. The resulting action was awarded as an Emergency firm fixed price purchase order.

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

Philips Medical Systems is the original equipment manufacturer (OEM). The Epiq 5 ultrasound unit is currently under warranty and only OEM parts can be used in order to not void system warranty. In-house staff does not have the specialized tools, parts, software, and test equipment required to repair the transducer; it must be replaced urgently because failure to obtain the transducer in a timely manner would have resulted in a threat to health, welfare and or safety of our Veterans.

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

Philips Medical Systems is the manufacturer and exclusive distributor of this specific diagnostic patient care equipment and is the only known source for the transducer. Due to the urgent restraints of this requirement standard FAR Part 5 procedures are not feasible.

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

This is an emergency request to purchase a Philips transducer for an existing ultrasound system. A competitive procurement would have required VA Form 2268 unrestricting competition and this would have taken time to route and sign. Due to the urgent restraints there was not sufficient time to conduct a competitive procurement.

In order to overcome any barriers to competition, the government will continue to survey the market place for sources that can satisfy its minimum needs, and will utilize competitive procedures as circumstances allow.

6. Requirements Certification: *I certify that the requirement outlined in this justification is a Bona Fide Need of the Department of Veterans Affairs and that the supporting data under my cognizance, which are included in the justification, are accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.*

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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.*

Camille Alderman

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