

**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:**

652-15-2-212-0032

**1A. PROJECT/TASK  
NUMBER**

**1B. ESTIMATED AMOUNT:**

\$41,000

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

The Department of Veterans Affairs requires a VTOC, is a cloud based, roles/permissions-based, Software as a service (SaaS) platform that is HIPAA compliant (security), 2014 American Recovery & Reinvestment Act-Health Information Technology for Economic & Clinical Health (ARRA HiTech) Act certified as a modular Electronic Health Record, including HL7 and Blue Button Plus initiative compliant (interoperability) and 21 CFR Part 11 compliant (research). The National Director for Radiation Oncology will conduct a pilot study of prospective patient reported outcomes using VTOC. For this study, four VAMC Radiation Oncology Services (ROS) will each participate. The contractor encourages cancer patients to self-register for the purpose of reporting outcomes. Through this contract, VA will request access to that data reported to the contractor by Veterans. The four pilot centers will assess the utility of accessing these VTOC data.

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

A cloud base patient report outcome that is commercially available

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

Results from small business interested parties but did not have software already in place without expenditures of increased contract value to build software.

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

The GSA's Schedule 70 (GENERAL PURPOSE COMMERCIAL INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY EQUIPMENT, SOFTWARE, AND SERVICES) and NASA SEWP was searched for possible vendors that could provide PRO services. After a thorough review, no vendors could be identified that provided these services. Therefore, a sources sought was published May 07, 2015 thru May 13, 2015 with the expectation to locate possible vendors that may have been negated in the original search or verify that no GSA vendor could provide these services. There were no responses from the sources sought posted on GSA. Next, a search on VISN, regional, and local indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) was conducted and found that none was currently in place for this type of service. Lastly, simultaneously a sources sought was published on Fedbizopps (FBO) with GSA. There were five responses that showed interest in this procurement by submitting capabilities statements. They are as follows: Varian Medical; Aligned Development Strategies Inc; Pragmatics; Intellicacorp; and SemanticBits; However, only Varian, a large business had this commercial software readily availability and experience.

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

**Name:** Nefertiti McDonald

**Title:** Contracting Officer

**Facility:** Program Contracting Office-East