

**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.

<b>1. PURCHASE REQUEST OR REQUISITION NUMBER:</b> VA Form 2237#: 583-16-1-169-0005 VA Acq Plan#: VA251-15-AP-4051	<b>1A. PROJECT/TASK NUMBER</b> N/A	<b>1B. ESTIMATED AMOUNT:</b> \$45,000.00
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**2. BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF SUPPLIES OR SERVICES REQUIRED AND THE INTENDED USE:**

The Richard L Roudebush VA Medical Center in Indianapolis, IN requires preventative maintenance checks, technical support services, and repair services for a Biosense Webster manufactured CARTO 3 cardiac navigation system. These services include preventative maintenance checks to ensure the equipment is in good operating condition, technical support to provide software updates and patches, and repair services to fix the equipment if and when the equipment fails from normal use. The period of performance for this requirement will be a base year and one (1) one (1) year option period for a total of two (2) years of service.

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

The CARTO 3 cardiac navigation system is a piece of equipment that relies primarily on software to function. This software is proprietary in nature to Biosense Webster and is only to be maintained and supported by Biosense Webster as they are the original developers of the software program. No other contractor has access to the program, nor is any contractor outside of Biosense Webster authorized to support the program.

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

Biosense Webster is the only source available for these services for the reasons stated in Section 3 of this justification.

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

The Contracting Office released Sources Sought announcement VA251-15-Q-0446 through the official Government Point of Entry, Federal Business Opportunities. The Contracting Officer allowed two weeks for prospective offerors to submit information showing they were capable and willing to meet the Government's requirements for support services of the CARTO 3 cardiac navigation system. The Contracting Officer received no responses as a result of the Sources Sought announcement. Additional general internet searches, review of the General Services Administration eLibrary, and a review of the Federal Procurement Data System (FPDS) resulted in no additional sources for CARTO 3 support services.

**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:** Jared Tritle  
**Title:** Contracting Officer  
**Facility:** Richard L Roudebush VA Medical Center