

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: N/A	1A. PROJECT/TASK NUMBER VA259-15-AP-7067	1B. ESTIMATED AMOUNT: \$59,453.76
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2. BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF SUPPLIES OR SERVICES REQUIRED AND THE INTENDED USE:
This request is for a consignment of **Maquet Hemashield Knitted Vascular Grafts** of various sizes. This action is set up as a consignment agreement that will be performed at the Denver VA Medical Center, 1055 Clermont St, Denver, CO 80220. The VA is obligated only to the extent of, and when use of the item is made by the VA. Unused (unopened and undamaged) items shall be returned, to the Contractor at the end of the effective period of the agreement, without reimbursement or other expenses to the Customer. This agreement shall be effective for a period of one (1) year (base) from the date of signatures of both parties for up to a total of two (2) option years, for a 3 year consignment.

3. UNIQUE CHARACTERISTICS THAT LIMIT AVAILABILITY TO ONLY ONE SOURCE, WITH THE REASON NO OTHER SUPPLIES OR SERVICES CAN BE USED:
Designed to provide initial **blood-tight seal** for improved hemostasis; Promotes formation of a smooth, thin pseudointima Enhances graft patency; Provides controlled resorption for uniform tissue ingrowth; Soft, flexible material is designed to conform to host vessel for easier anastomosis; Smooth needle passage and excellent suture retention are designed to **reduce bleeding at the anastomosis**; Highly compliant material promotes a snug fit at the anastomosis; Warp knitted/woven graft to resist unraveling ;Bifurcated graft with anatomically correct limbs; Crimped graft to resist kinking when pressurized; Double velour graft for **improved sealing, handling, and healing**; Knitted/woven, collagen impregnated zero pre-clot graft
These are the characteristics required by the program, and Maquet is the only Vendor to meet all these requirements.

4. REASON THAT SUGGESTED SOURCE IS THE ONLY SOURCE, WHICH CAN PROVIDE THE SUPPLIES OR SERVICES:
Maquet is the only vendor that produces and sells the Hemashield Knitted Vascular Graft. They do not use any distributors. This is a Sole Source J&A, product available only from Maquet.

5. DESCRIPTION OF MARKET RESEARCH CONDUCTED AND RESULTS OR STATEMENT WHY IT WAS NOT CONDUCTED:
Market Research Results reveal that they are also the only source manufacturer capable of meeting the Government's need this type of capability. There are similar products available on FSS and with open market vendors. However, those products do meet the Stringent Requirements, as listed above, of the surgeons, as past Vascular Grafts from other vendors have **blood leak**

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: Sarilynn Thomas
Title: Commodities Branch Chief
Facility: NCO19 SAO West

Date: 10 Nov 15