

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.REQUISITION NUMBER: 521-15-4-238-0255

1A.PROJECT/TASK#

1B.EST. AMOUNT: \$35,124

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

Install closed circuit TV system that integrates with the existing systems installed at Birmingham VAMC and Huntsville CBOC; System provides branding of specific VA initiatives such as MOVE as well as broadcasts preventative medicine programs.

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

Symon SDAs are proprietary systems that combine divergent media into several attractive and programmable broadcast packages shown throughout both facilities. The existing system has become inoperative due to outdated and some damaged hardware and software.

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

The subscription service, as well as the hardware, is a propriety system that only RMG can provide, install and operate. The medical center is also still within a three year contract period for these specific service.

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

RMG personnel are the only ones that can install the needed hardware. Basic broadcast switching equipment provided a vastly more limited scope in terms of programmability; flexibility of media and customization and stylization of the broadcast product. Symon SDA was the only product found to provide the flexibility in media sources, programmability and opportunity for future growth in terms of customization of programming. With RMG, several custom views featuring several separate programming schedules are achievable while being monitored and administered by the one system.

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: 9/2/2015

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