

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. ACQUISITION PLAN ACTION ID: VA251-15-AP-7034	1A. PROJECT/TASK No. N/A	1B. ESTIMATED AMOUNT: \$200,000.00 (base + 4)
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2. BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF SUPPLIES OR SERVICES REQUIRED AND THE INTENDED USE:

Requesting a base plus 4 option year contract for Provation software support and maintenance services to the Roudebush VA Medical Center. Services shall include: software updates/upgrades, software support, labor, supervision, test equipment, technical manuals, and transportation necessary to provide these services.

Vendor:
 Provation Medical, Inc.
 800 Washington Ave. North Ste. 400
 Minneapolis, MN 55401

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

The Provation software system is used to store, analyze, and generate reports for patient endoscopic examinations in an effort to help the medical staff better diagnose the patient's illness. The required software maintenance and support services are proprietary to Provation Medical and require proprietary software keys to access the system. Provation Medical does not sell their proprietary information to 3rd party retailers and therefore is the only source available to provide these services.

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

As specified in paragraph 3 above, Provation Medical is the only vendor with the ability to provide these software support and maintenance services.

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

Market research was performed but found that no other vendor can provide these services due to the need for proprietary software keys. Provation Medical does not allow 3rd party retailers access to their proprietary software keys.

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: Lisa Frymier
Title: Contracting Officer
NCO: Network 11 Contracting Office

Date: 10/9/2015