

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:

[REDACTED]

**1A. PROJECT/TASK
No.**

None

1B. ESTIMATED AMOUNT:

[REDACTED]

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

The AVIVA (GLUCOSE) TEST STRIP (Brand Name) 50ct are used in the AVIVA Meter.

- Blood Glucose Monitoring System , to be used for the quantitative measurement of glucose (sugar) in The fresh capillary whole blood as an aid to monitor the effectiveness of diabetes control.
- NDC is 65702-0438-10 (No substitutions)
- Quantity requested: 26000 Boxes

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

No GSA/ FSS contract found. Within the VHA brand name drugs may be prescribed by physicians when in their clinical judgement the brand name drug will provide a better therapeutic outcome for patients. Brand name drugs are requested when there is a clinical requirement for the drug. In this case the brand specific drug requested is listed above.

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

No GSA/ FSS contract was found. At this time, the physician has stated the above mentioned name brand drug is the only brand that will meet the specific needs of the patients, however, we are still competing this amongst distributors.

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

A search of the Center for Veteran Enterprise Vendor Information Pages for "Test Strips" indicates there are 77 SDVOSB or VOSB vendors which are engaged in the manufacturer of pharmaceuticals, and 786 for "test strips". Only Caprice Electronics carry the item on contract, and the product is not available. However, these vendors are not engaged in manufacturer, but are distributors for large business wholesalers. Because the Government is not allowed to do business using Wholesale Trade or Retail Trade NAICS codes, searches must be conducted using manufacture NAICS code of 325413 Invitro Diagnostic Substance Manufacturing.

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. Note: COs are required to make a determination of price reasonableness IAW FAR 13.106-3. See the [Commercial Supply and Service SOP for Price Reasonableness templates](#).*

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____ **NCO:** _____