

**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:

VA263-15-AP-11414

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

636-315

1B. ESTIMATED AMOUNT:

[REDACTED]

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

Project calls for all our overcurrent devices and electrical metering devices to be Square D brand This includes devices and all required programming and system update.

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

This facility determined about 20 years ago to invest in an electrical monitoring system. Over the years, the system has been added to. VACO within the last few years procured electrical monitoring of all facility's utilities and selected SqD. PowerLogic is SqD monitoring/metering system. It also has the capability of monitoring and recording usage, temperature and load of the emergency generator and Automatic Transfer Switch. This is a Joint Commission requirement. This project will add to the existing SqD PowerLogic monitoring system. To avoid voiding the UL listing on this equipment, it will need to be SqD with the PowerLogic monitoring. Since one type of equipment must be SqD for this instance, all like equipment must also be of the same manufacturer.

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

Square D was selected by a previous contract bidding process as the electrical metering system for this facility. This project is a minor extension of the existing system and would be cost prohibitive to change.

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

Market research was not completed for this item as it is the selected system for the Medical Center. New Components must tie into an existing, operational system. At this time, there are no competing vendors whose products are fully compatible with our existing 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. 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: _____

Name: Michael Casper

Title: Basel Clerk

Date: 12/7/15

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