

**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:**  
 565-16-3-070-0016

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

**1B. ESTIMATED AMOUNT:**  
 \$15,209.20

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

Fayetteville VA Medical Center requested brand name ophthalmology instruments from Katena Products, Inc. The requested instruments are currently being utilized by the Ophthalmology Clinic for eye procedures.

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

Katena surgical instruments are high quality metal that will withstand sterilization and autoclave processing. The facility currently has accessories for backup surgical trays that are interchangeable and compatible with these items. The items are currently utilized at the Fayetteville VAMC. Due to patient safety and cost efficiency, it is of the utmost importance to maintain standardization of the equipment. The cost to purchase new instrumentation, training RME competency costs, and maintenance would far outweigh the cost to purchase a different brand. Brand name only requested. The exact items are needed for standardization as required by the National Office of Sterile Processing Directive 2009-031.

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

Due to standardization, Katena is the only brand that will fulfill the requirements of the Fayetteville VAMC..

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

Market research revealed that Katena has one authorized small business distributor, American Medical Depot. Both Katena and AMD are small businesses, and offer the items via Open Market.

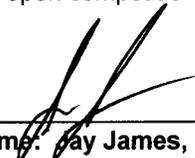
**6. Contracting Officer's Certification:** *Purchase is approved in accordance with FAR13.106-1(b). I certify that the foregoing justification is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.*

**Signature:** Melisha Evans 413046 Digitally signed by Melisha Evans 413046  
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**Name:** Melisha Evans  
**Title:** Contracting Officer  
**Facility:** NCO 6

**Date**

**7. NCM/PCM DESIGNEE (Required \$3K and above):** I certify the justification meets requirements for other than full and open competition.

  
**Name:** Jay James, Branch Chief Supply 4  
**Title:** Contracting Officer  
**Facility:** NCO 6

4/18/16  
**Date**