

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. PURCHASE REQUEST OR REQUISITION NUMBER:

764-16-3-077-0480

**1A. PROJECT/TASK
NUMBER**

1B. ESTIMATED AMOUNT:

\$XXXXXX

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

P0084, POTASSIUM CHLORIDE 20MEQ/PKT ORAL PWD - NDC#76439034330
M0824, MENTHOL/M-SALICYLATE 10-15% TOP CREAM - NDC#45802017453

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

Within the VHA brand name drugs may be prescribed by physicians when in their clinical judgment 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 name is requested on the list above. We do not have the authorization to go against a doctor's request; therefore, we require the exact items listed in block #2.

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

NDC #'s that are requested are the NDC #'s needed for these product codes. Items not on contract. The VA Doctors writing prescriptions do so based on clinical need and write the prescription accordingly to provide critical patient care.

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

A search was conducted using the National Acquisition Center (NAC) Pharmaceutical Catalog Search tool and the GSA Advantage Online Shopping database. These search tools lists all mandatory pharmaceutical drug sources available on Schedule 65 I B. The results of this search show all generic versions of a particular pharmaceutical drug that are available on the NAC FSS schedules and the pricing available to VA customers. In addition, it shows the trade name (patent) pharmaceutical, and its corresponding pricing available to VA customers.

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: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____

Facility: _____