

JUSTIFICATION FOR SINGLE SOURCE AWARDS IAW FAR 13.106-1
 (OVER MICRO-PURCHASE THRESHOLD(\$3.5K) 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.

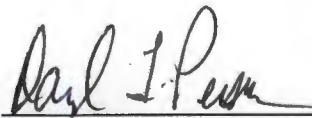
1. ACQUISITION PLAN ACTION ID: VA246-16-AP-9415	1A. PROJECT/TASK No. None	1B. ESTIMATED AMOUNT: \$120,582.00
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2. BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF SUPPLIES OR SERVICES REQUIRED AND THE INTENDED USE:
 The Richmond VA Medical Center Neurology Service has a requirement for the upgrade of an existing Electrical Geodesics brand electroencephalogram (EEG) system. The current system is the only commercially available "dense array EEG", using 256 EEG electrodes and specialized software for enhanced brain mapping. This requirement for upgrades to the current system includes equipment not available at the time of initial contract award. The upgrade includes a new magnetic sensor for digitization, amplifier upgrades, and software for importing MRI data.

3. UNIQUE CHARACTERISTICS THAT LIMIT AVAILABILITY TO ONLY ONE SOURCE, WITH THE REASON NO OTHER SUPPLIES OR SERVICES CAN BE USED:
 Electrical Geodesics (EGI) is the only identified source for a commercially available dense array EEG system. This requirement for upgrades to the existing system is specific to the proprietary design of the EGI brand Geodesic EEG dense array system already in use at the requiring facility. No other source has been identified that would be capable of supplying equipment and software upgrades to the existing EGI system.

4. DESCRIPTION OF MARKET RESEARCH CONDUCTED AND RESULTS OR STATEMENT WHY IT WAS NOT CONDUCTED:
 Market research included review of acquisition history, FPDS-NG search, discussions with the requiring facility and contacting the University of Washington EEG & Neurophysiology Lab.

5. 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: Darrell Person
 Title: Branch Chief, Supply I NCO: 6