

LIMITED SOURCES JUSTIFICATION
ORDERS>\$150,000
FAR PART 8.405-6

Acquisition Plan ID Number: VA261-16-AP-7061

This acquisition is conducted under the authority of the Multiple Award Schedule Program. The material or service listed in par. 3 below is sole source, therefore, consideration of the number of contractors required by FAR Subpart 8.4 – Federal Supply Schedules, is precluded for the reasons indicated below.

Restricted to the following source: Provide *original manufacturer's* name for material or contractor's name for service. (If a sole source manufacturer distributes via dealers, ALSO provide dealer information.)

Manufacturer/Contractor: Midtown Personnel, Inc.
Manufacturer/Contractor POC & phone number: Tasha Manzano (202) 887-4747
Mfgr/Contractor Address: 900 7th St NW, Ste 725, Washington, DC 20001
Dealer/Rep address/phone number: N/A

The requested material or service represents the minimum requirements of the Government.

(1) AGENCY AND CONTRACTING ACTIVITY: Department of Veterans Affairs
VA Palo Alto Health Care System
3801 Miranda Ave
Palo Alto, CA 94304

VISN: 21

(2) NATURE AND/OR DESCRIPTION OF ACTION BEING APPROVED:
This is a limited source justification for an urgent and compelling need.

(3) (a) A DESCRIPTION OF THE SUPPLIES OR SERVICES REQUIRED TO MEET THE AGENCY'S NEED:

The VA Palo Alto Health Care System requires Zika Virus Surveillance services.

(b) ESTIMATED DOLLAR VALUE: ██████████

(c) REQUIRED DELIVERY DATE: September 30, 2016

(4) IDENTIFICATION OF THE JUSTIFICATION RATIONALE (SEE FAR 8.405-6), AND IF APPLICABLE, A DEMONSTRATION OF THE PROPOSED CONTRACTOR'S UNIQUE QUALIFICATIONS TO PROVIDE THE REQUIRED SUPPLY OR SERVICE. (CHECK ALL THAT APPLY AND COMPLETE)

Specific characteristics of the material or service that limit the availability to a sole source (unique features, function of the item, etc.). Describe in detail why only this suggested source can furnish the requirements to the exclusion of other sources.

The VA Palo Alto Health Care System currently has a contract in place with Midtown Personnel to provide general Public Health Surveillance services. As a result of the recent Zika Virus entering the US, there is an immediate need for services specific to the Zika Virus. The amount of work estimated for the Zika Surveillance is [REDACTED]. It would be beyond the original scope of work to process a modification to the existing contract with Midtown to add the Zika services. Midtown already has a full staff of personnel working at the VA Palo Alto. As a result, they are the only contractor that is in the position to provide the Zika Surveillance services to meet the Urgent and Compelling need. This sole source contract will be short term ending on September 30, 2016. There is still an ongoing need for long term Public Health Surveillance services. The long term need will be competed following the normal procedures.

A patent, copyright or proprietary data limits competition. The proprietary data is: (If FAR 8.405-6(a)(2)iii before posting. Do not include specific proprietary data. Only mention the type of equipment, procedure, etc. to show that proprietary supplies or services are being procured.)

These are “direct replacements” parts/components for existing equipment.

The material/service must be compatible in all aspects (form, fit and function) with existing systems presently installed/performing. Describe the equipment/function you have now and how the new item/service must coordinate, connect, or interface with the existing system.

The new work is a logical follow-on to an original Federal Supply Schedule order provided that the original order was placed in accordance with the applicable Federal Supply Schedule ordering procedures. The original order must not have been previously issued under sole source or limited source procedures.

An urgent and compelling need exists, and following the ordering procedures would result in unacceptable delays.

The work required under this contract is related to the Zika Virus, which has received national attention because the effects of the virus are so detrimental. The Virus has made its way to the US and there is an immediate need for the Zika Surveillance services. If we were to follow the normal ordering procedures, it would result in unacceptable delays. This sole source contract will be short term expiring on September 30, 2016 to meet the immediate need. A new longer term contract will be put in place that will go through the normal ordering procedures.

(5) DESCRIBE WHY YOU BELIEVE THE ORDER REPRESENTS THE BEST VALUE CONSISTENT WITH FAR 8.4 TO AID THE CONTRACTING OFFICER IN MAKING THIS BEST VALUE DETERMINATION:

To meet the needs of these services, the contractor will provide multidisciplinary team. The labor categories for those team members are included in their GSA contract. The hourly rates for the GSA contract have already been determined to be fair and reasonable.

(6) DESCRIBE THE MARKET RESEARCH CONDUCTED AMONG SCHEDULE HOLDERS AND THE RESULTS OR A STATEMENT OF THE REASON MARKET RESEARCH WAS NOT CONDUCTED:

Market research was not conducted because this need is Urgent and Compelling and it would result in unacceptable delays. We will be processing a new long term contract that will go through the normal market research process.


(7) ANY OTHER FACTS SUPPORTING THE JUSTIFICATION:

(8) A STATEMENT OF THE ACTIONS, IF ANY, THE AGENCY MAY TAKE TO REMOVE OR OVERCOME ANY BARRIERS THAT LED TO THE RESTRICTED CONSIDERATION BEFORE ANY SUBSEQUENT ACQUISITION FOR THE SUPPLIES OR SERVICES IS MADE:

This contract is being processed as a sole source award because there is an Urgent and Compelling need that precludes the ability for competition. The follow on long term contract will be competed and go through the normal ordering process.

Chapter VI: Other Than Full and Open Competition (OFOC) SOP
Attachment 2: Request for Limited Sources Justification Format >\$150K

(9) REQUIREMENTS CERTIFICATION: I certify that the requirement outlined in this justification is a Bona Fide Need of the Department of Veterans Affairs and that the supporting data under my cognizance, which are included in the justification, are accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that processing of this limited sources justification restricts consideration of Federal Supply Schedule contractors to fewer than the number required by FAR Subpart 8.4. *(This signature is the requestor's supervisor, fund control point official, chief of service or someone with responsibility and accountability.)*

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Jude Lopez

NAME

Palo Alto Medical Center

FACILITY

Administrative Officer

TITLE

Palo Alto Office of Public Health

SERVICE LINE/SECTION

(10) APPROVALS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE [VHAPM, Volume 6, Chapter VI: OFOC SOP](#):

a. CONTRACTING OFFICER'S CERTIFICATION (required): I certify that the foregoing justification is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

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CONTRACTING OFFICER'S SIGNATURE

Mark Mikus, Contracting Officer

NAME AND TITLE

Fresno Contracting Office

FACILITY