

**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: VA260-16-P-1213	1A. PROJECT/TASK No.	1B. ESTIMATED AMOUNT: \$110,156.80
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2. BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF SUPPLIES OR SERVICES REQUIRED AND THE INTENDED USE: The Contractor shall provide one mobile 1.5 Tesla (T), Single or double Cabinet, MRI Coach/Trailer, software compatible with the 1.5T MRI Units owned by the VAPSHCS, The contractor shall adhere to the provisions of VA Handbook 1105.05 (July 19, 2012) Magnetic Resonance Imaging Safety.

3. UNIQUE CHARACTERISTICS THAT LIMIT AVAILABILITY TO ONLY ONE SOURCE, WITH THE REASON NO OTHER SUPPLIES OR SERVICES CAN BE USED:
The current contract expires on July 31, 2016 necessitating a short term contract from August 1, 2016 – September 30, 2016. Unforeseeable delays have resulted in the solicitation process taking longer than could be anticipated. Reliable staffing is the only firm capable of providing the services described above, in section 2, without the VHA experiencing substantial duplication of costs that could not be expected to be recovered through competition and unacceptable delays in fulfilling its requirements. There is not sufficient time to compete and award a short term contract to ensure continued services and allow the awardee adequate time to set-up Coach/Trailer Mobile MRI operations and provide equipment training to begin work on August 1, 2016 without interruption. Reliable Staffing already has equipment in place and is ready to continue performance immediately upon award. It has provided mobile MRI services to the VHA continuously for over eight years under contracts VA260-P-0091, VA260-P-0432, and VA260-14-P-0187, and VA260-15-C-0008. If there is a delay of services the MRI's have to be outsourced on fee basis ranging from \$412 to \$659 depending on the CPT code. The VHA estimates that it provides 240 MRIs per month. This short term purchase order will allow the current VHA solicitation review to continue, while providing the services are required to care for our Veterans. This short PO should allow the Government sufficient time to complete the competitive process for the longer term contract.

4. DESCRIPTION OF MARKET RESEARCH CONDUCTED AND RESULTS OR STATEMENT WHY IT WAS NOT CONDUCTED: Intent to Sole Source this action was posted on FBO for 10days. No responses were received in response to this posted notice. Further the offerors of the current solicitation were notified of this intent directly.

VetBiz did not list Mobile MRI in Washington State. Google only listed leasing companies. Reliable Staffing GSA Contract # GS-30F-034BA is found under GSA listing for Mobile MRI under Automotive Superstore FSC Group Heavy Duty Vehicles and Accessories. The SIN is 271-112 Leased Heavy Duty Vehicles and Accessories. The GSA Schedule Lists Manufacturer Part Numbers with GSA Pricing for leasing, no services and no CPT Codes. The GSA NAISC IS 532120 (Truck, Utility Trailer, and RV Rental and Leasing) and not 621512 (Diagnostic Imaging centers). This does not fall under FAR 8.002(a)(1)(vi)) Contracting Officers must place orders against Federal Supply Schedules contracts awarded by the VA National Acquisition Center in FSC Groups 65 and 66. This is not a mandatory GSA 65 or 66 requirement. The estimated number of MRIs per COR, is 240 per month. The current

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contract VA260-15-C-0008, with Reliable Staffing, charges per scan compared with the Medicare rate or Cost for Fee rates ranging from \$412.40 to \$659.60. See below. Companies CPT codes provided by PSHCS for mobile MRI.

CPT CODE	MEDICARE RATE	COST on FEE	NAME OF SCAN
70336	\$369.76	\$412.40	MRI –Jaw Joint
70540	\$418.02	\$467.41	Orbit
70544	\$471.15	\$528.05	MRI – Head (w/out contract)
70548	\$499.04	\$599.58	MRI – Neck w/contrast
70551	\$441.38	\$493.35	MRI - Brain
70553	\$577.06	\$643.39	MRI – Brain (w/out contrast)
71550	\$482.36	\$539.75	MRI - Chest
72141	\$390.61	\$435.47	MRI – Cervical Spine
72146	\$391.30	\$436.25	MRI – Thoracic Spine
72148	\$385.49	\$430.12	MRI – Lumbar Spine
72156	\$577.21	\$642.75	MRI – Cervical Spine (w/out)
72157	\$536.24	\$596.43	MRI – Thoracic Spine (w/out)
72158	\$564.90	\$629.59	MRI – Lumbar Spine (w/out)
72196	\$484.55	\$541.21	MRI - Pelvis
73220	\$586.88	\$655.31	MRI- Upper Extremity
73720	\$590.67	\$659.60	MRI- Lower Extremity
73725	\$482.11	\$538.12	MRI - Angiography
74181	\$385.95	\$430.77	MRI - Abdomen

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](#).*

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