

**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:**

[REDACTED]

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

**1B. ESTIMATED AMOUNT:**

[REDACTED]

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

Urology equipment manufactured by Olympus America, Inc. to include: CYF-5: CYF-5 Flex CystoNephro Fiberscopes, along with trade in of existing scopes.

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

Corporal Michael J. Crescenz VA Medical Center operates using Olympus Urology equipment in several different areas of the hospital. This request is for replacement scopes/upgrades of the same equipment currently in use. The CYF-5 models can be utilized as a standalone scope or operate using the unique Olympus towers which allows all Olympus Urology scopes to operate from the same source thus eliminating the need for multiple towers to operate each scope. In addition, staff in Urology and the OR and Sterile Processing are all trained to operate and reprocess Olympus equipment.

The purchase of any other system would require the facility to replace existing components and add additional manufacturer's systems in order to operate.

In addition to the need for acquiring additional support equipment should Olympus equipment not be provided, substantial investment in end-user training and the estimated cost to replace these components could be > \$100,000 dollars. Investment in end-user training from direct care providers to processing personnel would be required. In addition to the training, standard operating procedures and processes for reprocessing (cleaning) would have to be amended to reflect manufacturers' use and processing recommendations and requirements to ensure patient safety standards in order to meet the requirements to standardize Reusable Medical Equipment.

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

Requesting service provided a quote from Olympus America, a large business on VA NAC contract. The contract specialist conducted additional market research and found no SDVOSB/VOSB or other small business concerns that provided Olympus items on GSA Schedule.

A search within the VIP database for "Olympus" returned 1 SDVOSB, but a review of the vendor's website revealed that they were engaged in the sale of camera equipment, rather than medical equipment.

A search within SBA Dynamic Small Business search for Olympus revealed many results, some irrelevant. An edited search for "Olympus & medical" returned four vendors.

**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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