

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:

VA258-16-AP-3963/ 501-17-1-3107-0001

**1A. PROJECT/TASK
NUMBER**

1B. ESTIMATED AMOUNT:

\$300,000.00

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

The New Mexico VA Health Care System (NMVAHCS) has submitted a request to establish a consignment agreement (base + 2 option years) with W.L. Gore to provide endovascular catheters and excluders (various sizes). W.L. Gore has indicated they are only willing to accept a three (3) year agreement at this time.

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

NMVAHCS currently uses the GORE EXCLUDER AAA Endoprosthesis, as the main device used for AAA repair, and the requested endovascular catheters and excluders are the only devices authorized by WL Gore for use with the Endoprosthesis. W.L. Gore's GORE®EXCLUDER iliac Branch Endoprosthesis (IBE) is the first off-the-shelf aortic branch device FDA approved in the United States and the only device indicated for the endovascular treatment of common iliac artery aneurysms or aortoiliac aneurysms with hypogastric preservation and is the natural addition to the NMVAHCS for AAA repairs requiring such device.

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

W.L. Gore has the patent for the GORE®EXCLUDER and is the only vendor available to manage a consignment agreement for this item.

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

Sheryl Pool, Strategic Solutions Administrator, WL Gore & Associates, confirmed that WL Gore owns the patent and is the only vendor available to manage a consignment agreement for the GORE®EXCLUDER.

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: Contracting Officer

Facility: NCO 18/ SAO West, Phoenix, AZ