

**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:**  
**VA263-16-AP-13237**

**1A. PROJECT/TASK**  
**No. None**

**1B. ESTIMATED AMOUNT:**

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

To establish a three (3) month purchase order for expendable supplies/reagents for assays to run on the existing/Minneapolis VAHCS's owned Roche instrumentation located at the Minneapolis VAMC, Minneapolis Minnesota. The assays include HCV viral load, HIV viral load, Factor 2, Factor 5, EGFR, and KRAS. The disposables must be compatible with the following instrumentation: COBAS Ampliprep, Taqman, MagNA Pure, Roche Light Cycler. This approved to be procured via an FSS BPA, however Roche's FSS contract (V797P-7037A) expired 8/14/2016 and even though Roche started working with the NAC in May 2015, the FSS contract is not expected to be renewed until the first of the calendar year.

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

Assay kits must be compatible with instrumentation currently owned by the VA. The assay kits needed are only available through Roche Diagnostics because only their kits will run on the instruments. These reagents are to be used with instruments currently owned by the Minneapolis VA HCS.

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

Market research determined that only one vendor (Roche) can provide the kits needed for existing Minneapolis owned laboratory instrumentation. I researched several stock numbers on VETBiz and did not find a match. I also searched some key terms/descriptions from the line items requested on VETBiz and did not find matches for those items either.

Chapter VI: Other Than Full and Open Competition (OFOC) SOP

Attachment 4: Single Source Justification for SAP under \$150K

**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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