

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:

VA255-17-AP-0109

1A. PROJECT/TASK No.

589-17-1-5419-0050

1B. ESTIMATED AMOUNT:

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

SEALANT, SURGICAL, BIOGLUE, BOVINE SERUM ALBUMIN/CHEMICAL GLUTARALDEHYDE, 10 ML, SYRINGE AND TIPS INCLUDED. Surgical adhesive for Vascular and Cardio Thoracic surgery. Also used to seal anastomoses and to reinforce/adhere tissues. This will be a reoccurring purchase as this is a GIP item; estimated amount for the rest of FY17 [REDACTED]

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

BioGlue is the only FDA approved product to seal anastomoses, to reinforce, and adhere to tissues. BioGlue is the only product available in a ready to use syringe and requires no mixing or reconstitution prior to use. Product is full strength within two minutes of activation. It also does not have a time limit on usage once placed on the sterile field. BioGlue can be applied in thin layers allowing precise application to allow hemostasis and reinforcement. BioGlue is a registered trademark of Cryolife. They are the sole manufacturer and provider of the product. No other manufacturer produces this type of surgical adhesive, bovine serum albumin and glutaraldehyde.

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

An email was received from Cryolife which stated that they do not have any distributors for this product. A search in FPDS using the keyword "bioglue" showed 290 records with the Department of Veterans Affairs under the vendor Cryolife. VA255-15-P-1796 and VA255-14-P-6291 were awarded to Cryolife for this product.

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.*

10/6/2016

X Yvonne Kittling

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