

JUSTIFICATION FOR SINGLE SOURCE AWARDS IAW FAR 13.106-1
(OVER MICRO-PURCHASE THRESHOLD(\$3.5K) BUT NOT EXCEEDING THE SAT (\$150K))

IAW FAR 13.104, 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 FAR 13.106-1(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 FAR 13.106-3(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 FAR 13.106-3(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:

VA246-17-AP-3986

1A. PROJECT/TASK No.

N/A

1B. ESTIMATED AMOUNT:

[REDACTED]

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

This is a request for the emergency repair of a wireless digital detector that is used as part of a Mobile X-Ray system called the Shimadzu Mobile dArt Evolution. It is heavily utilized by the department and should the other system in the department become unserviceable while this system is down, it will have a significant impact on the unit ability to provide patient care.


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

The Shimadzu Mobile dArt Evolution originally purchased in August of 2013 for approximately [REDACTED]. It is a proprietary system and only authorized dealers may provide services for this equipment. All dealers of this equipment has specific regions for sale and support of this equipment. The Richmond VAMC falls within the Alpha Imaging dealer territory.

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

The Contracting Officer contacted the Manufacturer's Texas office. The manufacturer informed the CO that it is a proprietary system and only authorized dealers may service the equipment. Furthermore those dealers are the ones who would provide repair and maintenance services and dealers have specific geographic regional coverage for sale and support. The Manufacturer identified Alpha imaging as the regional vendor for the Richmond VAMC.

5. Contracting Officer's Certification: Purchase is approved in accordance with FAR 13.106-1(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.



Contracting Officer
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