

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: 580-17-1-167-0023 - Spinal Cord Injury Stretcher	1A. PROJECT/TASK No.	1B. ESTIMATED AMOUNT: \$ 14,578.00
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2. BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF SUPPLIES OR SERVICES REQUIRED AND THE INTENDED USE: The Spinal Cord Injury Care Line is requesting a Stryker Prime Zoom Motorized Drive Stretcher to minimize the number of transfers for the veteran and to also limit the exposure to potential on the job injuries, the Zoom stretcher is a must. The Zoom stretcher is highly mobile, increases safety and efficient. The extraordinarily mobile and user-friendly Zoom stretchers are designed to greatly reduce the physical strain on the healthcare team and axillary staff (i.e. Escort) while enhancing patient care and comfort. It will make transporting heavy patients easier.

3. UNIQUE CHARACTERISTICS THAT LIMIT AVAILABILITY TO ONLY ONE SOURCE, WITH THE REASON NO OTHER SUPPLIES OR SERVICES CAN BE USED: This system is widely used throughout the MEDVAMC and its nomenclature and operation is well known to the current escort service staff and medical providers. Due to the current use of this product in the MEDVAMC the Spinal Cord Unit needs the Stryker Prime Zoom Motorized Drive Stretcher to eliminate the need for additional training and avoid the risk of injury to veteran patients and escort service members.

4. DESCRIPTION OF MARKET RESEARCH CONDUCTED AND RESULTS OR STATEMENT WHY IT WAS NOT CONDUCTED: Market research was conducted via FBO and it was discovered that multiple SDVOSBs can meet the requirement. This action is going to be solicited open market. While this is a brand name acquisition, limited competition is expected through the use of authorized distributors.

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.*

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____ **NCO:** _____