

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:

VA69D-17-AP-1587

**1A. PROJECT/TASK
No.**

695-17-109

1B. ESTIMATED AMOUNT:

\$38,000

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

This product, Johnson Controls Metasys Building Automation and HVAC Control System, is the only product that allows for a single HVAC control system for the Milwaukee VAMC facility. Johnson Controls Metasys control system is the campus-wide building and HVAC Control System. It is comprised of thousands of terminal devices and controllers.

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

This campus-wide system will be modified in building 70 and 111 for the addition of air handling units and controls with the signal returning to the monitoring "front-end" equipment in building 113. Additionally, the Johnson Controls building automation system has numerous remote monitoring workstations are strategically located to facilitate timely troubleshooting and system adjustments by engineering staff. The signals from the addition of these air handling units and controls will be sent back to existing workstations in Building 113 where the building automation system is monitored. An incompatible system may require installation of new "front-end" and remote workstations as well as new software and programming. Additionally, installation of components that match the existing building automation system minimizes maintenance costs and bench stock requirements. It is necessary to match existing system to ensure there are no interface problems, impacts to patient safety and familiarity of the product to the staff and maintenance personnel. This is the only way to ensure complete compatibility and that the campus will not have 2 HVAC control systems on the Milwaukee campus.

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

Research into other Building Automation and HVAC Control systems has been conducted and it was found that the other systems are not compatible with Milwaukee FM standard. The other products on the market would require additional cost to maintain within the facility.

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:1/24/2017

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