

**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: \$12,000
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2. BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF SUPPLIES OR SERVICES REQUIRED AND THE INTENDED USE:
 This product, HILTI Firestop Systems, are an integration of materials, assemblies and components to provide firestopping to prevent fire from spreading through penetrations in walls, ceiling and floors throughout the medical center.

3. UNIQUE CHARACTERISTICS THAT LIMIT AVAILABILITY TO ONLY ONE SOURCE, WITH THE REASON NO OTHER SUPPLIES OR SERVICES CAN BE USED:
 Firestopping is achieved through assemblies, not just materials and it is imperative approved assemblies are used and the assemblies are the same throughout the hospital to allow for inspections and adequate compliance when The Joint Commission and VA inspect for accreditation of the hospital and the safety of patients and staff. It is necessary to match existing systems to ensure there are no interface problems, approved assemblies are used in lieu just materials and all systems are UL approved.

4. DESCRIPTION OF MARKET RESEARCH CONDUCTED AND RESULTS OR STATEMENT WHY IT WAS NOT CONDUCTED:
 Milwaukee VAMC has established HILTI as the facility standard. The other Firestop systems on the market are not compatible with HILTI and the products cannot be mixed together in a penetration because this voids the required UL rating. Switching systems would not enable the facility to maintain the existing firestop in the hospital and the entire system would have to be removed and replaced.

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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