

JUSTIFICATION FOR SINGLE SOURCE AWARDS IAW [FAR 13.106-1](#)
(OVER MICRO-PURCHASE THRESHOLD(\$3K) 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:

VA250-17-AP-0198

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

1B. ESTIMATED AMOUNT:

\$42,147.00

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

Vision Enhancement System

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

The Edward Hines, Jr. VA Hospital has the requirement for a Stellaris Anterior Deluxe System (V4-VFM). The machine requested is used for performing anterior segment surgery, primarily cataract surgery phacoemulsification. The machine will be used in the Ambulatory Surgery Unit for anterior segment surgical procedures. It is only vitreoretinal surgical system that comes with a dual light source and surgeon-selected color filters that allow for differentiated viewing designed to enhance the surgeon's ability to see ocular tissue better under various surgical conditions.

The Stellaris Anterior Deluxe System, (V4-VFM) is to replace an existing Bausch and Lomb system that has been deemed to be too expensive to repair. The Bioengineering Department at the facility has determined that to repair the unit would cost over \$18,000 for an 8-year old device. The purchase of the new one with trade in value is slightly over \$42,000.00. Training on the new machine is included with the purchase.

4. REASON THAT SUGGESTED SOURCE IS THE ONLY SOURCE, WHICH CAN PROVIDE THE SUPPLIES OR SERVICES:

A Sources Sought was posted to the Open Market for a period of six (6) days and two responses were received: one from an SDVOSB and one from a Woman-Owned Small Business. It is determined this procurement will be fulfilled via open market sole source to SpecOps Medical Supply, LLC, a VIP-verified SDVOSB (DUNS: 078582932) utilizing the Veterans First Contracting Program IAW Public Law (PL) 109-461 which requires the Veterans Affairs (VA) to increase contracting and subcontracting opportunities for Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Businesses and Veteran-Owned Small Businesses.

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

NAC MedSurg catalog, FPDS, VetBiz, correspondence with prospective contractors, Sources Sought posted for a period of six (6) days.

6. 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: Alea Barnes

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