

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS
Justification and Approval
For
Other Than Full and Open Competition

1. **Contracting Activity:** Department of Veterans Affairs, VISN 08, NCO 8
2. **Nature and/or Description of the Action Being Processed:** These are special catheters and accessories that work by freezing and stopping unwanted arrhythmias with cooling equipment for AFIB ablation procedures. Medtronic, Inc is the only manufacturer of these types of catheters and accessories. The catheters and accessories are items for special procedures providing patient care to go with our cryoablation system.
3. **Description of Supplies/Services Required to Meet the Agency's Needs:** These are special catheters and accessories that work by freezing and stopping unwanted arrhythmias with cooling equipment for AFIB ablation procedures. Medtronic, Inc is the only manufacturer of these types of catheters and accessories. The catheters and accessories are items for special procedures providing patient care to go with our cryoablation system.
4. **Statutory Authority Permitting Other than Full and Open Competition:**
 - (X) (1) Only One Responsible Source and No Other Supplies or Services Will Satisfy Agency Requirements per FAR 6.302-1;
 - () (2) Unusual and Compelling Urgency per FAR 6.302-2;
 - () (3) Industrial Mobilization, Engineering, Developmental or Research Capability or Expert Services per FAR 6.302-3;
 - () (4) International Agreement per FAR 6.302-4
 - () (5) Authorized or Required by Statute FAR 6.302-5;
 - () (6) National Security per FAR 6.302-6;
 - () (7) Public Interest per FAR 6.302-7;
5. **Demonstration that the Contractor's Unique Qualifications or Nature of the Acquisition Requires the Use of the Authority Cited Above (applicability of authority):**

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6. **Description of Efforts Made to ensure that offers are solicited from as many potential sources as deemed practicable:**

There are no other sources at this time.
7. **Determination by the Contracting Officer that the Anticipated Cost to the Government will be Fair and Reasonable:**

IAW FAR 13.106-3 (a)(vii)
8. **Description of the Market Research Conducted and the Results, or a Statement of the Reasons Market Research Was Not Conducted:**

Market research was conducted, the catheters and accessories listed on GSA's Medtronic, Inc schedule are not the special catheters and accessories used for the cryoablation system. They are open market items.

9. Any Other Facts Supporting the Use of Other than Full and Open Competition:

No additional comments.


10. Listing of Sources that Expressed, in Writing, an Interest in the Acquisition:

Medtronic, Inc.

11. A Statement of the Actions, if any, the Agency May Take to Remove or Overcome any Barriers to Competition before Making subsequent acquisitions for the supplies or services required:

There are currently no available sources in addition to Medtronic, Inc. We will continue to conduct market research to identify any alternate sources for these items and will seek competition when available.


12. Requirements Certification: I certify that the requirement outlined in this justification is a Bona Fide Need of the Department of Veterans Affairs and that the supporting data under my cognizance, which are included in the justification, are accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.


Name Don Chapman
Title Cardiology Program Coordinator
Facility NP/SG VHS - Gainesville

4-25-2012
Date


13. Approvals in accordance with FAR 6.304

a. Contracting Officer's Certification: (required) I certify that the foregoing justification is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.


Name Jonathan S. Lorton
Contracting Officer
Facility

4-25-2012
Date

b. Product Line Supervisor (PLS): I certify that the foregoing justification is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.


Name BRIAN J. SHEPARD
Contracting Supervisor
Facility WCOB-GAINESVILLE

4-25-2012
Date