

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:

VA262-17-AP-3263

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

1B. ESTIMATED AMOUNT:

\$49,930.00

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

The VA Greater Los Angeles' existing Syngo Dynamic Server VA10 needs upgrades to extend memory capacity to save patients' records. The existing server is reaching its maximum memory capacity and it is urgent that these upgrades need to be completed as soon as possible to prevent loss of patient records.

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

The existing Syngo Dynamics Server VA10 System was originally acquired by Siemens Medical Solutions USA, Inc., and the manufacturer Candelis Inc., solely has a perpetual license for these required upgrades through its authorized distributor Siemens Medical Solutions USA, Inc.

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

As result of market research in open market and FSS/GSA, and Sources Sought/Request for Information released in the Government point of entry, www.fbo.gov, for the requirement, Siemens Medical Solutions USA, Inc. was identified as the only capable source to provide the requirement. Mazi Razmjoo, a Vice President of the manufacturer Candelis, Inc., was contacted and verified that this requirement can only be acquired by Candelis, Inc. through its authorized distributor, Siemens. In addition, Siemens provided a letter confirming its status as the authorized distributor of Candelis, Inc. (Please see attachment). Candelis, Inc. currently does not directly provide products and services supporting this requirement to VA, but only through its authorized distributor.

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: 3-1-17

Name: Fredy Arfenz

Title: Contracting Officer NCO: 22



28 February 2017

To Whom It May Concern:

The purpose of this letter is to confirm that Siemens Healthcare is an authorized seller of Candelis, Inc. products. Candelis and Siemens have had a national distributorship relationship since 2007, and under our agreement, Siemens is fully authorized to market, sell and provide service for our products.

If you have any other questions, please don't hesitate to call me at 949 798 8108.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Fred Judd", written over the printed name.

**Frederick Judd
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