

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-0432

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

1B. ESTIMATED AMOUNT:

\$72,000.00

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

25 Stryker Prime TC Swing-Away Model Wheelchairs

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

Stryker is the only manufacturer of these special type of ergonomic, anti-theft, nest-able, dynamic breaking system wheelchairs which are needed for patient care and safe handling at the Jesse Brown VAMC.

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

VETBIZ search under NAICS code 325413, transport wheelchair, state Illinois reveled 3 vendors. FPDS search under wheelchairs displays thousands of pages. GSA-Advantage lists multiple vendors that provide wheelchairs for weights over 500 lbs. example CONVAQUIP. GSA eLibrary search under "wheelchair" displays multiple manufacturers but no FSS vendors that carried Stryker Prime TC Swing Away Model Wheelchairs. A Sources Sought notice was posted to FBO on 3/6/2017 and closed on 3/14/2017 looking for SDVOSB's & VOSB's who are authorized and can provide the Stryker wheelchairs. 7 responses were received, including 4 SDVOSBs, Stryker Healthcare Systems, and 2 other entities. Stryker indicated they provide written authorizations to 3rd parties to distribute their products including SDVOSB/VOSB's, as Styker is a large business.

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: 3/23/2017

Name: Ted Barrett

Title: Contracting Officer

NCO: VISN 12