

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Justification and Approval

For

Other Than Full and Open Competition

1. **Contracting Activity:** Department of Veterans Affairs, VISN 04, Erie VA Medical Center
2. **Nature and/or Description of the Action Being Processed:** Acquisition of proprietary Honeywell Notifier System for use in the Erie VA Medical Center Renovate 6th Floor East for Domiciliary- NRM Project 562-16-202.
3. **Description of Supplies/Services Required to Meet the Agency's Needs:** The Erie VAMC currently utilizes CISCO IT Switches (CISCO switch model 3750 version 2 or the CISCO model 3850 which is the preferred switch) as the VA Infrastructure approved switch in the main hospital building (Building 01) and all surrounding building IT system closets. The CISCO switch shall be utilized as the approved switch for the 6th Floor East Domiciliary project at the Erie VAMC. These CISCO IT switches are required for a 100% fully compatible and approved VA IT Infrastructure compliant switch to be utilized at the above mentioned site. This item is being sole sourced under a construction project that will be competed as a 100% Service Disabled Veteran Owned Small Business (SDVOSB) set aside. Estimated Cost - \$22,000
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):** The acquisition is authorized pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 2304(c)(1), and is implemented by FAR 6.302-1(c), Only one responsible source and no other supplies or services will satisfy agency requirements.
6. **Description of Efforts Made to ensure that offers are solicited from as many potential sources as deemed practicable:** Any action to increase competition for the supplier of of an alternate switch would cause an undue hardship on the Erie VA Medical Center, who has been making a conscious effort to standardize their system infrastructure in the past in an effort to increase the control of all critical IT security aspects of the IT system. The installation of an alternate switch would cause increased problems through the loss of IT

security thereby opening the threat of outside individuals gaining access to critical patient records and private information.

7. **Determination by the Contracting Officer that the Anticipated Cost to the Government will be Fair and Reasonable:** This item is being sole sourced under a larger construction project that will be a competed as a 100% Service Disabled Veteran Owned Small Business (SDVOSB) set aside. Therefore, competition will be provided on the base contract which will lead to a fair and reasonable price.
8. **Description of the Market Research Conducted and the Results, or a Statement of the Reasons Market Research Was Not Conducted:** Further market research was not conducted based on same content provide in paragraph 6 above.
9. **Any Other Facts Supporting the Use of Other than Full and Open Competition:** N/A
10. **Listing of Sources that Expressed, in Writing, an Interest in the Acquisition:** N/A
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:** N/A
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: Douglas Pollock
Title: Energy Engineer
Facility: Erie VA Medical Center

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: Donald Kalvioda
Title: Contracting Officer
Facility: Network Contracting Office 4

02/27/2017

Date

- b. **One Level above Contracting Officer:** I certify that the foregoing justification is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Name: Michael Koontz
Title: Supervisor, Construction Team West
Facility: Network Contracting Office 4

Date