JUSTIFICATION FOR OTHER THAN FULL AND OPEN COMPETITION DUE TO SOLE SOURCE REQUIREMENT (includes brand name only requirements)
REQUIRED INFORMATION

1. FACILITY NUMBER-NAME- CITY, STATE: 553, John D. Dingell VA Medical Center, Detroit, MI

2. VISN OR PROGRAM ACTIVITY: 11

3. POC NAME AND TELEPHONE NUMBER: Casey Thayer, 313-576-1000 ext. 64507

4. PROPOSED ACTION: Sole Source Procurement of: Construction ☒ A-E ☐ (check one)

5. DESCRIPTION OF REQUIREMENT: VA Engineering requires Simplex Grinnell as our Vendor to furnish and install new fire alarm system components, controls, and programming for the project, 553-10-109 Expand Hemodialysis.

- *Supplies/Equipment: Technical Characteristics can include, but are not limited to model, make, part number, color, size, quantity, delivery date, etc. Services: Refer to the statement of work, statement of objective, or performance work statement for your description.*

6. STATUTORY AUTHORITY PERMITTING OTHER THAN FULL AND OPEN COMPETITION: (check one)

Authorized or required by Statute ☐
Brand Name ☐
Limited Sources J/A ☐
Only One Responsible Source Available ☐
Only One Source Reasonably Available ☒
Public Interest ☐
Unusual and Compelling Urgency ☐
National Emergency ☐

- *FAR 6.302-1 Only one responsible source and no other supplies or services will satisfy agency Requirements*
- *FAR 8.405-6 Limited sources justification and approval*
- *FAR 13.106-1(B) SAP Requirements – Soliciting From a Single Source*
- *This is a reference to the part of the Federal Acquisition Regulation that allows an item to be purchased without being fully competed. This statement serves as a point of reference in case the justification is questioned. In this case, it would be reviewed for its relativity to this part of the Federal Acquisition Regulation.*

7. NATURE & BACKGROUND OF ACQUISITION TO JUSTIFY SOLE SOURCE: The existing facility is currently protected by an extensive Simplex Fire Alarm System. This project adds to the system, therefore requiring Simplex Grinnell to add fire alarm components, controls, and programming. Simplex Grinnell is the Fire Alarm system and control company that holds the maintenance contract for the propriety equipment throughout the John D. Dingell VAMC. The existing fire alarm system is comprised of Simplex Grinnell equipment including the master annunciation panel and monitoring systems. Use of an alternate system components or vendor would require different types of equipment that are incompatible with the current fire alarm system. This would pose a potential risk of inoperable life safety system control, downtime, and cost to the facility. A second vendor working on the same system could result in downtime to the system, resulting in a safety issue.

- *Describe the minimum salient characteristics that will meet your needs. This is the area where you explain why no other vendor anywhere can supply this requirement for you. Acceptable reasons for "sole source" include (but are not limited to): bound by contract, technical order specification, warranty service, or regional standardization. If the reason for sole source is determined locally, offer what market research or clinical guidelines led to the decision. If this item is included in an allowance standard for War Reserve Materiel (WRM), cite the allowance standard, required source, and stock number for this item. NOTE FOR WRM PURCHASES: The Defense Logistics Agency is your primary source for*

WRM equipment. Be sure to determine availability from a DLA item manager before contracting for WRM equipment. If DLA cannot meet your timelines for WRM equipment, your urgency may be further justification for other than full and open competition. See your Medical Logistics Flight Commander for more details.

8. PROVIDE INFORMATION SHOWING MARKET RESEARCH WAS CONDUCTED: The John D. Dingell VAMC would not like to introduce a different fire alarm system to the facility. Market research used for the original fire alarm system solicitation determined the selected vendor.

- *This justification is for why no other vendor anywhere can supply your item or service and still meet your needs. Your rationale for barring other vendors is crucial to your justification. If you already cited the statutory reason for a sole source, state, "See paragraph 7". If your rationale for a sole source purchase was determined locally, offer an explanation of the source selection process you went through to determine your sole source requirement. Unacceptable reasons include (but are not limited to) personal taste, good relationship with existing vendor, or one's comfort level with a particular vendor.*
- *Describe the similarities and differences in vendors for the product that you are aware of that could assist or prevent the purchaser from obtaining the best value for you. Be sure to name the vendors. This section will help the purchaser decide which vendors are available to purchase this item from. If market research was not conducted, state it AND the reason that there was no market research.*

9. PRICE ANALYSIS "FAIR AND REASONABLE": The installation will include submittal drawings, removal of existing fire sprinkler system in phases, installation of new fire sprinkler system in phases, testing of fire sprinkler system in phases, installation of new fire alarm devices and control wiring, and programming of the existing system. The estimated cost of the work is $10,000.00. VA Engineering has determined that this cost is fair and reasonable.

- *This section is mandatory. Do not leave this section blank. Even though this must be purchased from only one source, you must still obtain a quote from the vendor for this purchase. This way you are able to verify added costs for delivery, your geographic region, or installation. Cite the pricing here. If you purchased this item before, compare this price to what you paid last time. Cite this here as well.*

10. LISTING OF SOURCES EXPRESSING INTEREST IN THIS REQUIREMENT: Simplex Grinnell, 24747 Halsted Road, Farmington Hills, MI., 48335-1612, (248) 427-5050, Mark Rossi

- *Enter or attach contact information for sources you cited in the description of your source selection. If sole source by statute, regulation, or standard, list contact information for that source here.*

11. FUTURE ACTION TO OVERCOME BARRIER TO OTFOC: None – Current fire alarm system requires the use of compatible components requiring installation by Simplex Grinnell.

- *This section fulfills the legal requirement to affirm that the selection of a singular source for this requirement is an anomaly and that action will be taken in the future to ensure full competition in the future. The reason this is needed is to describe how the government will make an effort in the future to fully comply with standard acquisition practices and not resort to creating unnecessary partnerships with few vendors at the risk barring full competition to circumvent the FAR. By signing this, you are telling the contracting officer to avoid the processes that assure best value and fairness in this acquisition. If the reason for sole source purchase is because of statute, standard, or regulation, enter "THE SOURCE FOR THIS PURCHASE IS REQUIRED IAW [cite the standard here].*

SUBMITTED BY: Signature: _____ Department/Requestor ENG. Date: 4/4/12	**SIGNED BY:** Signature: _____ Scott D. Brennan Warranted Contracting Officer Date: Apr 10, 2012
APPROVED BY: Signature: _____ NCM or Product Line Supervisor Date: 4/10/12	Note: Anything that is over 500K will need to strictly follow the SOP J&A Attachment.

Insure specifications are written to clearly indicate that this portion of the work is to be subcontracted only through Simplex Grinnell.