

LIMITED SOURCES JUSTIFICATION

ORDER >\$150,000

FAR PART 8.405-6

Acquisition Plan Action ID: VA69D-17-AP-2333

This acquisition is conducted under the authority of the Multiple Award Schedule Program. The material or service listed in par. 3 below is sole source, therefore, consideration of the number of contractors required by FAR Subpart 8.4 – Federal Supply Schedules, is precluded for the reasons indicated below.

Restricted to the following source: Provide original manufacturer's name for material or contractor's name for service. (If a sole source manufacturer distributes via dealers, ALSO provide dealer information.)

Manufacturer/Contractor: ROCHE DIAGNOSTICS

Manufacturer/Contractor POC & phone number: MICHAEL KAULING, 630-723-8544

Mfgr/Contractor Address: 9115 HAGUE RD, INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46250

☒ The requested material or service represents the minimum requirements of the Government.

(1) AGENCY AND CONTRACTING ACTIVITY:

Department of Veterans Affairs

Edward Hines VA Hospital

5000 S 5th Ave

Hines, IL 60612

VISN:

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(2) NATURE AND/OR DESCRIPTION OF ACTION BEING APPROVED:

This is a limited sources justification to establish an interim contract with Roche for a 6 month period while establishing a new, long-term contract.

(3) (a) A DESCRIPTION OF THE SUPPLIES OR SERVICES REQUIRED TO MEET THE AGENCY'S NEED:

The Edward Hines Jr. VA Hospital and Clement J. Zablocki VA Hospital currently provides molecular pathology testing for Veteran patients within VISN 12 that have been diagnosed with Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV), a retrovirus that causes Acquired Immunodeficiency Virus (AIDS), and Hepatitis C virus, a virus that affects the liver. Hines Hospital has a demand for advanced clinical testing to monitor viral load of diagnosed Hepatitis C and HIV patients and screening for Factor II and Factor V mutation.

(b) ESTIMATED DOLLAR VALUE: \$355,019.52

(c) REQUIRED DELIVERY DATE: 4/1/17 through 9/30/17

(4) IDENTIFICATION OF THE JUSTIFICATION RATIONALE (SEE FAR 8.405-6), AND IF APPLICABLE, A DEMONSTRATION OF THE PROPOSED CONTRACTOR'S UNIQUE QUALIFICATIONS TO PROVIDE THE REQUIRED SUPPLY OR SERVICE.

☒ Specific characteristics of the material or service that limit the availability to a sole source (unique features, function of the item, etc.). Describe in detail why only this suggested source can furnish the requirements to the exclusion of other sources.

Only Roche can offer continuation of the current testing while a new, long term contract is being pursued. Due to the criticality of the testing, any lapse in testing would be catastrophic. Continued monitoring of HIV and HCV patients along with Factor II and Factor V mutations are mission essential.

☐ A patent, copyright or proprietary data limits competition. The proprietary data is:
(If FAR 8.405-6(a)(2)iii before posting. Do not include specific proprietary data. Only mention the type of equipment, procedure, etc. to show that proprietary supplies or services are being procured.)

N/A

☐ These are "direct replacements" parts/components for existing equipment.

N/A

☐ The material/service must be compatible in all aspects (form, fit and function) with existing systems presently installed/performing. Describe the equipment/function you have now and how the new item/service must coordinate, connect, or interface with the existing system.

N/A

☐ The new work is a logical follow-on to an original Federal Supply Schedule order provided that the original order was placed in accordance with the applicable Federal Supply Schedule ordering procedures. The original order must not have been previously issued under sole source or limited source procedures.

N/A

☒ An urgent and compelling need exists, and following the ordering procedures would result in unacceptable delays.

Failure to continue testing and monitoring would be unacceptable to the health and welfare of the Veteran population with HIV and HCV.

(5) DESCRIBE WHY YOU BELIEVE THE ORDER REPRESENTS THE BEST VALUE CONSISTENT WITH FAR 8.4 TO AID THE CONTRACTING OFFICER IN MAKING THIS BEST VALUE DETERMINATION:

The system from Roche is known to meet the requirements of the facility. The cost-per-test price has remained constant from the previous contract pricing and within inflationary allowances.

(6) DESCRIBE THE MARKET RESEARCH CONDUCTED AMONG SCHEDULE HOLDERS AND THE RESULTS OR A STATEMENT OF THE REASON MARKET RESEARCH WAS NOT CONDUCTED:

Market research was conducted among VIP certified contractors and then amongst NAC FSS schedule 66III, 605-6B schedule holders. Only Roche can maintain the current equipment while a new, long term contract is being established.

(7) ANY OTHER FACTS SUPPORTING THE JUSTIFICATION:

N/A

(8) A STATEMENT OF THE ACTIONS, IF ANY, THE AGENCY MAY TAKE TO REMOVE OR OVERCOME ANY BARRIERS THAT LED TO THE RESTRICTED CONSIDERATION BEFORE ANY SUBSEQUENT ACQUISITION FOR THE SUPPLIES OR SERVICES IS MADE:

N/A

(9) APPROVALS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE [VHAPM, Volume 6, Chapter VI: OFOC SOP](#):

a. CONTRACTING OFFICER'S CERTIFICATION (required): I certify that the foregoing justification is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

_____ CONTRACTING OFFICER/DESIGNEE'S SIGNATURE	3-29-2017 _____ DATE
_____ JESSICA RASMUSSEN, CONTRACTING OFFICER	GLAC _____ FACILITY

b. ~~Director of Contracting/DESIGNEE~~ I certify that the foregoing justification is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

_____ SIGNATURE	29 March 2017 _____ DATE
Mr. David Picchi	
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Branch Chief, Supply Team	