

**DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS**  
**Justification and Approval (J&A) for**  
**Other Than Full and Open Competition (>\$150K)**

**Acquisition Plan Action ID: 538-17-2-6330-0011**

1. **Contracting Activity:** Department of Veterans Affairs, Network Contracting Office (NCO) 10,  
260 E. University Ave., Cincinnati, Ohio 45219
2. **Nature and/or Description of the Action Being Processed:**  
This procurement is for VA Medical Center in Chillicothe, OH, SPS Department requires equipment that will meet the needs of the Medical Center to wash, decontaminate and sterilize surgical instruments, containers/basins, some medical equipment, and other products and devices used throughout the medical center.
3. **Description of Supplies/Services Required to Meet the Agency's Needs:**  
The sterilizers must have the following mandatory characteristics:
  - Sterilizers must be able to fit into sterilizer wall opening of 119.5  
External Dimensions including service area: 38.6" W x 77.5" H x 37.8" D  
Chamber dimensions shall be 26" W x 26" H x 51.2" D  
These exact measurements must be met to fit the footprint of the new SPS designed area
  - Sterilizers must not require service on either side of the chamber so sterilizers can be installed side-by-side so as to fit within the space appropriately - as per footprint of new design area – and will also aid in increasing footprint of prep area
  - Water consumption per cycle with optional chilled water connection must be no greater than 2.6 gal/cycleThe required water consumption levels, direct access for maintenance through front panels of machine and clean steam ready technical requirements factored in, only Belimed equipment could meet these requirements.
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;  
  
**FAR13.5 Simplified Procedures for Certain Commercial Items:** The authority for applying the Simplified Procedures for Commercial Items of FAR 13.5 is 41 U.S.C. 1901 and is implemented by for restricting competition on this procurement via FAR 13.106-1(b)(2).
5. **Demonstration that the Contractor's Unique Qualifications or Nature of the Acquisition Requires the Use of the Authority Cited Above (applicability of authority):**  
  
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