

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-2605

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

695-17-106

1B. ESTIMATED AMOUNT:

\$129,500

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

The Jeron Health Care Call System Provider 790 Nurse Call System, is the only product that allows for a single nurse call system for the Milwaukee VA Medical Center. The medical center has replaced its existing nurse call with the Jeron Nurse Call System.

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

The signal will be sent back to the existing Jeron Nurse Call System head-end equipment in Building 111. The backbone of the system has already been installed at a significant expense. Similar to other proprietary items, the Nurse Call system will be a modification of the existing system and not a new system. An incompatible system will require installation of new-head end and backbone components. Installation of a system that interfaces properly with the existing system in Building 111 will ensure patient and worker safety because communications will be seamless. Installation of components that match the existing nurse call system minimizes maintenance costs and bench stock requirements. No other system will integrate with the existing Nurse Call system.

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

No other system has been identified that offers a seamless integration with the existing system.

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: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____

NCO: _____