

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:

\$58,000

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

The Guldman GH3+ Ceiling Lift is the only product that is compatible with the VA Milwaukee Medical Center's current ceiling lifts and slings. In addition, Guldman offers slings types for purposes such as the amputee, turning, limb, and repositioning slings.

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

Each ceiling lift company uses proprietary slings and accessories that are not compatible with other ceiling lifts. Introduction of a new ceiling lift model would require purchase of additional slings and would create confusion amongst staff using the equipment. This possible confusion is a patient and worker safety issue as the user may attempt to use an alternative sling that is not designed for the lift system. It is necessary to match existing standardized products. This componentry can be field modified or adjusted to meet the demands of the work flow or equipment and occupational safety. These changes or adjustments are easy and can be quickly accomplished. The ability to adjust or modify these units expedites maintenance, repairs, moves, changes in components or storage requirements, and allows for easy reconfigurations.

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

Market research was conducted on the Arjo MaxiSky (no specialized slings) and Liko Liko rail products and it was determined that same slings could not be used as the ones that the medical center currently owns on these devices. Investigating pricing also revealed that Guldman was the lowest price.

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: _____