

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: \$7,500
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2. BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF SUPPLIES OR SERVICES REQUIRED AND THE INTENDED USE:

The barrier free Curtain Track Rail Support System (CTRSS), is the only product that allows a seamless travel of patient lift systems within a single or multiple bed room. This system allows the medical center staff to lift patients and transport to a restroom, treatment table, or exam table without violating the privacy of the veterans. If a privacy curtain must be opened (so that the lift can pass through), a patient's privacy is violated.

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

This curtain track system can be custom made to every room depending on the room type and/or lift system being installed. This is a unique product. No other products on the market were found that can match the specifications needed in order to secure and install this 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. Product must be able to accommodate all necessary healthcare and administration needs of the hospital.

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

Market research was conducted on other curtain rail systems, and these other systems did not meet the requirements of the medical center. This includes the design to engineer obstacles encountered by patient lifts and to maintain the privacy of the veterans.

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:** _____