

**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.

<b>1. ACQUISITION PLAN ACTION ID:</b> VA244-17-AP-2394	<b>1A. PROJECT/TASK No.</b>	<b>1B. ESTIMATED AMOUNT:</b> \$44,800.00
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**2. BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF SUPPLIES OR SERVICES REQUIRED AND THE INTENDED USE:**  
The Micra Transcatheter is the world's smallest pacemaker that offers a minimally invasive approach directly into the right ventricle and does not require the use of leads. The pacemaker system will be used only by Electrophysiology Cardiologist who is specially trained for the procedure. The pacemaker is used on patients with symptomatic slow heart rhythm abnormalities that are not manageable with medications.

**3. UNIQUE CHARACTERISTICS THAT LIMIT AVAILABILITY TO ONLY ONE SOURCE, WITH THE REASON NO OTHER SUPPLIES OR SERVICES CAN BE USED:**  
Medtronic is the only manufacturer of the Micra Transcatheter Pacing System (TPS). The unique characteristics of the TPS, it is 93% smaller than conventional pacemakers, does not require the use of ventricular leads and MRI compatible with a 12 year battery life. The Micra TPS is a proprietary item only offered by Medtronic. Medtronic will not offer this item to Medtronic vendors because they currently supply the traditional pacemakers.

**4. DESCRIPTION OF MARKET RESEARCH CONDUCTED AND RESULTS OR STATEMENT WHY IT WAS NOT CONDUCTED:**  
On 1/17/17 Market Research was conducted on NAC, GSA and FPDS yielding no results for the Micra Transcatheter. No market research was conducted on the VIP database because Medtronic is the sole manufacturer and there are no authorized distributors for this item.

**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:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Title: Contract Specialist**

**Date:** 1/25/2017

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**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Name: Jonathan Taliani**  
**Title: Acting Branch Chief, Hybrid 2**

**Date:** 1/25/2017

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