

JUSTIFICATION FOR SINGLE SOURCE AWARDS IAW [FAR 13.106-1](#)
(OVER MICRO-PURCHASE THRESHOLD(\$3.5K) BUT NOT EXCEEDING THE SAT (\$150K))
BRAND NAME ONLY

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.

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| 1. ACQUISITION PLAN ACTION ID: VA246-17-AP-8008 | 1A. PROJECT/TASK No. | 1B. ESTIMATED AMOUNT:  |
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2. BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF SUPPLIES OR SERVICES REQUIRED AND THE INTENDED USE:
Site-Rite Ultrasound System for intravenous access. This equipment is used in performing complex Peripherally Inserted Central Catheters (PICC) placement in patients. The system is manufactured by Bard Access and provides clinicians with a visual tool for passive magnetic tracking of a needle in diagnostic ultrasound imaging of the vascular system.

3. UNIQUE CHARACTERISTICS THAT LIMIT AVAILABILITY TO ONLY ONE BRAND, WITH THE REASON NO OTHER SUPPLIES OR SERVICES CAN BE USED:
This requirement is to replace Durham’s current vascular ultrasound system (older Bard Access equipment) because parts and updates are no longer available. It is important that the replacement equipment is completely compatible with Durham’s existing system’s devices and attachments and with current IV therapy equipment. Therefore, procurement of this specific brand of equipment is necessary for compatibility with existing equipment components and attachments.

4. DESCRIPTION OF MARKET RESEARCH CONDUCTED AND RESULTS OR STATEMENT WHY IT WAS NOT CONDUCTED:
GSA Advantage and GSA eLibrary were checked – items not on FSS contract. A search of equipment was done on the internet and the manufacturer is Bard Access. VIP site was searched using NAICS code 339112 and keyword: “Ultrasound” and the site listed six (6) SDVOSBs. However, this equipment is very specialized and used for intravenous access and can be used as an alternative method to chest x-ray and fluoroscopy for PICC placement. Therefore a Sources Sought Notice (VA246-17-N-0166) was posted on 5/1/17 to seek VOSBs and SDVOSBs that can provide this specific equipment. Two (2) SDVOSBs and one (1) VOSB responded. A competitive procurement will be conducted for Brand Name Only – Bard Access Site Rite 8 Vascular Ultrasound and the solicitation will be set-aside for VOSBs.

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.*


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