

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:
Contracting UID: VA241-17-AP-3753

1A. PROJECT/TASK
No.
NONE

1B. ESTIMATED AMOUNT:

\$

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

VA CT needs to obtain the following replacement Stryker brand name mattresses for use with the Stryker In-Touch Critical Care Bed Frame and the Secure II bed frame:

- 1) One each powered low-air-loss support surface with tubing made to be used with the Stryker In-Touch® Critical Care Bed Frame, and
- 2) Ten each pressure redistributing, Low-Air-Loss (LAL) and shear/microclimate balancing support surface with optional powered air blower unit constructed for use with the Stryker Secure II® bed frames used at VA Connecticut.

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

The Stryker brand name Isolibrium® mattress is the only mattress specifically made to work with the In-Touch® Critical Care Bed Frame manufactured by Stryker and therefore it is the only mattress that can be used on this bed frame.

The Stryker brand name IsoFlex® LAL mattress is made specifically to be used not just for pressure redistribution but also skin microclimate balancing by use of forced air as well as wicking of moisture.

Due to the manufacturer's proprietary technology, only these mattresses will work with the Stryker beds.

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

Stryker, the large business manufacturer, has a teaming relationship with SDVOSB firms to distribute their products. Three (3) SDVOSB firms were contacted and quotes were received from two: TrillaMed and Beacon Point Associates. Four Points Technology failed to submit a reply.

Since both the brand name Stryker Isolibrium® and Isoflex® mattresses can be purchased from the SDVOSB distributors (Beacon Point or TrillaMed), a Sole Source with Stryker is not necessary. Use of a SDVOSB business meets the requirements in accordance with FAR and VA initiatives and still meets the HAPU prevention needs of the Veteran Patients of VA CT HCS. NAICS 339113 that this requirement falls under is on the SBA Nonmanufacturer

Waiver list so it is allowable to purchase from teaming partners rather than the manufacturer solely.

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: 5/2/2017

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