

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).

1. ACQUISITION PLAN ACTION ID:

VA246-17-AP-8797

1A. PROJECT/TASK

No. N/A

1B. ESTIMATED AMOUNT:

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

Request to solicit as Brand Name Only for Welch-Allyn CONNEX Wall Systems, with Masimo SpO2, SureTemp Plus, ThermoScan PRO, SureBP NIBP, MacroView Otoscope, PanOptic Ophthalmoscope, Wireless (wall-mounted vital signs monitors) for VAMC Fayetteville.

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

Welch-Allyn CONNEX systems are standardized through VISN 6 after a competitive solicitation in April, 2013 (VA246-13-F-3599). The current request is limited only by Brand Name, and a competitive SDVOSB set-aside is contemplated.

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

Per FAR 10.002 requirements, it is noted the requested items are customarily available in the commercial marketplace. Searches for the Brand Name product through Internet sources (FBO, FPDS, and VetBiz) indicate sufficient competition is available to support a Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Business set-aside.

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.*

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