

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:
VA255-17-AP-4872

1A. PROJECT/TASK No.
657-17-3-8543-0193

1B. ESTIMATED AMOUNT:
[REDACTED]

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

The VA St. Louis Health Care System (Jefferson Barracks Division) needs to replace the current Series 1 RT300-SLSA Functional Electrical Stimulators (FES) with two new Series 2 RT-300SLSA FES which is critical and necessary for the in/outpatient Spinal Cord Injury therapy department. The FES is primarily used to promote motor recovery after a spinal cord injury.

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

The St. Louis VA Medical Center already owns the SAGE 7 FES System. The SAGE 10 is the upgrade to the SAGE 7 System. Some pieces of the SAGE 7 will still be kept to use with the SAGE 10 upgrade. Without upgrading to the SAGE 10, an entire new system would need to be purchased which would cause a need for more funding, spending, training, and downtime.

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

There are [REDACTED] under NAICS 334510. A source sought was conducted via email and received 1 response from a SDVOSB, capable of providing the item. FPDS showed previous procurements were awarded to a Small Business.

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](#).*

5/24/2017

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Contracting Officer

Signed by: [REDACTED]

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