

**JUSTIFICATION FOR SINGLE SOURCE AWARDS IAW [FAR 13.106-1](#)
(OVER MICRO-PURCHASE THRESHOLD(\$3K) 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: VA69D-17-AP-5669	1A. PROJECT/TASK No.	1B. ESTIMATED AMOUNT: \$125,256.59
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2. BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF SUPPLIES OR SERVICES REQUIRED AND THE INTENDED USE:
Swallow Workstation and Endoscope Video System

3. UNIQUE CHARACTERISTICS THAT LIMIT AVAILABILITY TO ONLY ONE SOURCE, WITH THE REASON NO OTHER SUPPLIES OR SERVICES CAN BE USED:
The Clement J. Zablocki VA Medical Center located in Milwaukee, Wi is requesting a new mobile Swallow Workstation and Endoscope Video System. The station requires an endoscopy video system and video recorder. The facility's existing system is running on Windows XP which is an unsupported OS platform, unable to receive security updates from Microsoft. The existing equipment does not have an integration system that can disperse images and have videos/images viewed from anywhere but the onboard the local station. This causes a delay in patient care and disease prognosis as multiple providers/departments utilize this cart. Review of any captured data can only be viewed if the reviewer is at the physical station. The new system will be able to integrate with the Image Stream VaultStream Server that is hosted in Milwaukee. Components of the VaultStream server are also on the One-VA TRM approval list so clinicians can have the appropriate software loaded on any workstation in the facility where captured videos/images can be viewed. The server also has approved Live Stream capability so consults/education could be conducted for users that are not present at the speech study.

Olympus is the only approved vendor of the Image Stream video storage devices that can be integrated with the VaultStream server. This device is also a VistA DICOM-approved modality. Along with keeping standardization with Olympus video processors, rigid and flexible scopes with the purchase of this equipment can ensure all endoscopes can be reprocessed by the OER-PRO and Sterrad NX that is currently on-hand. If the Government were to purchase through another manufacturer, it would cost an additional \$50,000.00 for the server integration components and up to \$78,000.00 for new reprocessors. It is therefore in the best interest of the Government to purchase Olympus of America, Inc.-brand equipment to fulfill the need of the facility.

4. REASON THAT SUGGESTED SOURCE IS THE ONLY SOURCE, WHICH CAN PROVIDE THE SUPPLIES OR SERVICES:
Past procurements have shown that Olympus America, Inc. (manufacturer) has one (1) authorized Veteran-Owned Small Business (VOSB) or Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Business (SDVOSB) that distributes its products: Alliant Enterprises, LLC. Alliant can provide pricing at or below the price of Olympus's NAC contract which is found to be fair and reasonable.

It is determined this procurement will be fulfilled via open market sole source to Alliant Enterprises, LLC (DUNS: 121170653) utilizing the Veterans First Contracting Program IAW Public Law (PL) 109-461 which requires the Veterans Affairs (VA) to increase contracting and subcontracting opportunities for Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Businesses and Veteran-Owned Small Businesses.

5. DESCRIPTION OF MARKET RESEARCH CONDUCTED AND RESULTS OR STATEMENT WHY IT WAS NOT CONDUCTED:
NAC MedSurg catalog, correspondence with prospective contractor, procurement history.

6. 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:** _____

Name: Alea Barnes

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