

# Department of Veterans Affairs

# Memorandum

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Subj: VMAC Wade Park Cleveland – SICU Renovations (541-06-1018)  
“Brand Name or Equal” Justification

To: VISN 10 Network Contracting Manager

1. The purpose of this memorandum is to document the salient characteristics required of the “Brand Name or Equal” products.
2. The items listed in the attached “Brand Name or Equal” spreadsheet and the justifications are as follows.

- 1) Acoustic Ceiling Tile and Suspension System by Armstrong - Material and Colors are a continuation of an existing ceiling grid that has already been installed in the SICU space. Alternate material will need to match in color, texture, size, profile, finish, composition and meet or exceed the acoustic properties of the specified product.
- 2) Resilient Base by Johnsonite – Material and color are a continuation of design palette developed on the original SICU project and to match existing finishes already installed on the project. Alternate product needs to match selected color and profile.
- 3) Resilient Sheet Flooring by Shannon – Material and colors are a continuation of a design palette on the original SICU project and to match existing finishes already installed on the project. Alternate material will need to exactly match in color, texture, width, gauge, and finish.
- 4) Paint by Sherwin Williams – Material and color are a continuation of a design palette on the original SICU project and to match existing finishes already installed on the project. Alternate product needs to match selected color, sheen, and VOC values.
- 5) Impact Resistant Wallcovering by Koroguard – Material and colors are a continuation of a design palette on the original SICU project and to match existing finishes already installed on the project. Alternate material will need to match in material, color, texture, size, gauge and finish.
- 6) Corner Guards / Crash Rails by Korogard - Material and Colors are a continuation of a design palette on the original SICU project and to match existing finishes already installed on the project. Alternate material will need to match in color, texture, size, gauge and finish.
- 7) Light Controls (Light Switches) by Lutron - Devices are a continuation of a design palette on the original SICU project and to match existing devices already installed on the project. Alternate material will need to match in style and color.
- 8) Lighting Controls (Occupancy Sensor, Momentary Switch) by Wattstopper – Devices are a continuation of a design palette on the original SICU project and to

match existing devices already installed on the project. Alternate material will need to match in style and color.

- 9) Temperature Controls by Johnson FX – The Johnson FX devices are Bacnet compliant, available, and programmable by any contractor. The Johnson FX product line is fully compatible with the existing Tridium Building Automation System. Alternate systems will need to match these characteristics.
  - 10) Window Blinds by Window Accessory Company - Material and Colors are a continuation of a design palette on the original SICU project and to match existing finishes already installed on the project. Alternate material will need to match in color, texture, size, gauge and finish.
3. Items requiring Sole Source are listed below. Justifications for each product are attached.
- 1) Fire Alarm by Notifier
  - 2) Security by Lenel
  - 3) Lock Cylinders by Corbin Russwin
  - 4) Window Blinds by Window Accessory Company
4. If there are any questions regarding this matter, please feel free to contact Nick Carrozza at extension 821-6179 or Mike Morgan at 821-6129.

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