

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:

VA69D-17-AP-5816

1A. PROJECT/TASK No.

537-17-3-969-0277

1B. ESTIMATED AMOUNT:

To be competed.

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

The Surgery Service at the Jesse Brown VAMC in Chicago, IL requires four (4) brand name only, V.A.C. Ulta Therapy Units. These V.A.C. Ulta Therapy Units are required to meet the volume demands of patients requiring this therapy. In addition, the V.A.C. Ulta Therapy Units do both regular negative pressure, in addition to V.A.C. Instillation Therapy. The ability to provide VeraFlo Instillation Therapy is important for Veterans who have infected and critical wounds, requiring advanced therapy.

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

KCI USA, INC. is the only company that supplies V.A.C. Ulta Therapy Systems. The KCI USA, INC. V.A.C. Ulta Therapy System delivers VERARFLO Instillation Therapy, in addition to regular V.A.C. therapy. This unique, patented therapy, allows for advanced negative pressure wound therapy for patients with critical or infected wounds. These units have been used via rental over the past few months on patients with such wounds and the healing time and results are above and beyond greater than anything our providers have witnessed with other units. Jesse Brown VAMC currently owns KCI USA, INC. V.A.C. Therapy Systems which do not provide the advanced therapy needed by some of our Veterans. The dressings and accessories already onsite are only compatible with KCI USA, INC. products.

VERAFLO therapy reduces trips to the OR for repeat debridements (cost savings). VERAFLOR therapy reduces hospital stays 2-4 days on average (cost savings).

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

The NMR does not apply to this procurement, as the IGCE is less than \$150,000.00, therefore a set aside will be pursued.

Market Research Findings:

Communication with Manufacturer was performed, as the Contracting Officer (CO) contacted KCI USA, INC. for them to advise of any SDVOSB authorized distributors. KCI USA, INC. responded, providing two (2) SDVOSB authorized distributors:

MARATHON MEDICAL corporation (12-265-8151) – SDVOSB (verified in VIP).

BEACON POINT ASSOCIATES, LLC (07-871-7364) – SDVOSB (verified in VIP).

FSS search conducted resulting in one FSS contract holders capable of providing the requirement:

KCI USA, INC. (10-272-6734) – V797D30198 – Other Than Small Business.

Based on the information provided above, it is recommended this procurement be fulfilled by issuing a Brand Name Only, Total SDVOSB RFQ onto the Federal Business Opportunities (FBO) website i/a/w: FAR 6.206.

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: _____

Name: Thomas H. Chesak

Title: Contracting Officer NCO-12