

**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.

<b>1. PURCHASE REQUEST OR REQUISITION NUMBER:</b> 589-17-2-5334-0395	<b>1A. PROJECT/TASK NUMBER</b> Cooper Atkins I Care Silver Package	<b>1B. ESTIMATED AMOUNT:</b> \$14,150.00
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**2. BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF SUPPLIES OR SERVICES REQUIRED AND THE INTENDED USE:** Throughout the facility at the Columbia VAMC currently uses an outdated version of the Cooper Atkins Temp Trak software. To meet the needs of this facility we need to update the software from Cooper Atkins. If we do not, our system will inevitably fail. JACHO requires the facility to have remote temperature monitoring. Cooper-Atkins Corporations Temp Trak Product is designed to monitor temperatures of refrigerator, freezers and other equipment to eliminate the need for manual temperature taking and to remove the possibility of human error in this process.

**3. UNIQUE CHARACTERISTICS THAT LIMIT AVAILABILITY TO ONLY ONE SOURCE, WITH THE REASON NO OTHER SUPPLIES OR SERVICES CAN BE USED:**  
Cooper Atkins software is only offered by Cooper Atkins. If Columbia VAMC would switch to another provider it would not be practical and would need to replace all current equipment. We can buy parts and sensors from others. Cooper-Atkins Corporation warrants that no other items or products are available for purchase that have the same capabilities as Temp Trak and there is only one price for the above-named product because of exclusive distribution and marketing rights.

**4. REASON THAT SUGGESTED SOURCE IS THE ONLY SOURCE, WHICH CAN PROVIDE THE SUPPLIES OR SERVICES:**  
Cooper Atkins is the manufacture of Temp Trak software. They are the only manufacturer for this particular software that is needed and used her at the Columbia VA. The software was written exclusively by Cooper-Atkins and the hardware is available to work with the Temp Trak System exclusively. Cooper Atkins Corporation maintains all copyright privileges for their products.

**5. DESCRIPTION OF MARKET RESEARCH CONDUCTED AND RESULTS OR STATEMENT WHY IT WAS NOT CONDUCTED:**  
Since the only company that provides software updates is Cooper Atkins, I only selected this company. We have purchased contracts from them in the past also. Market Research was conducted though GSA Advantage, GSA eLibrary, VetBiz, google searches to research if other offerors are available to offer software and research determined that Cooper-Atkins has exclusive distribution and marketing rights.

**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.*

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Name:** Julie Willie  
**Title:** Contracting Officer  
**Facility:** SAOC Contracting Office

**Date:** 06/29/2017