

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:
Planning UID: VHA 055386

**1A. PROJECT/TASK
No.**
693-13-114

1B. ESTIMATED AMOUNT:
XXXXXXX

2. BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF SUPPLIES OR SERVICES REQUIRED AND THE INTENDED USE:
Contractor to provide services to provide software remapping and antenna and cabling relocations throughout all phases of construction for this project to to meet the requirements of Project #693-13-114 Renovate Kitchen.

3. UNIQUE CHARACTERISTICS THAT LIMIT AVAILABILITY TO ONLY ONE SOURCE, WITH THE REASON NO OTHER SUPPLIES OR SERVICES CAN BE USED:
The unique features of the Aethon Inc., mobile autonomous robot delivery system are critical for the success of the Renovate Kitchen Project. The autonomous mobile robot delivery systems currently installed at this facility are serviced and maintained by Aethon and are linked via Aethon's intralogistics automation platform software system. In order to maintain existing warranties and prevent disruption of pharmaceutical and medical supply deliveries within the facility Aethon must make all software modifications, remapping, and hardware modifications required during the construction. Aethon is the only company that can provide this product and service. There are no other companies authorized to work on Aethon products.

4. DESCRIPTION OF MARKET RESEARCH CONDUCTED AND RESULTS OR STATEMENT WHY IT WAS NOT CONDUCTED:
The requiring activity has performed market research and Aethon is the only company that can provide this product and service. There are no other companies authorized to work on Aethon products.

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: _____

Date: 14 July 2017

Name: Everett E Shaver, Jr.,

Title: Contracting Officer **NCO:** 4