

LIMITED SOURCES JUSTIFICATION

ORDER >\$150,000

FAR PART 8.405-6

Acquisition Plan Action ID: VA261-17-AP-6981

This acquisition is conducted under the authority of the Multiple Award Schedule Program. The material or service listed in par. 3 below is sole source, therefore, consideration of the number of contractors required by FAR Subpart 8.4 – Federal Supply Schedules, is precluded for the reasons indicated below.

Restricted to the following source:

Manufacturer/Contractor: V797D-60647 Parata Systems, LLC.

Manufacturer/Contractor POC & phone number: Ty Gospodarec 619-922-4969

Mfgr/Contractor Address: 2600 Meridian Parkway, Suite 100, Durham, NC 27713-2203

Dealer/Rep address/phone number: Not applicable

☒ The requested material or service represents the minimum requirements of the Government.

(1) AGENCY AND CONTRACTING ACTIVITY:

Department of Veterans Affairs

Network Contracting Office

3801 Miranda Ave., Bldg. T-50

Palo Alto, CA 94304-1290

VISN:

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(2) NATURE AND/OR DESCRIPTION OF ACTION BEING APPROVED:

A sole source procurement for the purchase of the Parata Max-S pharmacy robot is being requested by the facility. The VA Palo Alto HCS Outpatient Pharmacy currently has three Parata MAX robotic systems to automatically fill, label, and dispense medications for outpatient use. These systems are located at VA Palo Alto, VA Livermore, and San Jose CBOC. The MAX robots have been in use for over 6 years and have performed very well. The outpatient pharmacy has a need to add an additional robotic dispensing system at VA Menlo Park.

(3) (a) A DESCRIPTION OF THE SUPPLIES OR SERVICES REQUIRED TO MEET THE AGENCY'S NEED:

Vendor to install and implement one Parata Max-S pharmacy robot system at VA Menlo Park.

(b) ESTIMATED DOLLAR VALUE: [REDACTED]

(c) REQUIRED DELIVERY DATE: December 1, 2017 (120 calendar day lead time)

(4) IDENTIFICATION OF THE JUSTIFICATION RATIONALE (SEE FAR 8.405-6), AND IF APPLICABLE, A DEMONSTRATION OF THE PROPOSED CONTRACTOR'S UNIQUE QUALIFICATIONS TO PROVIDE THE REQUIRED SUPPLY OR SERVICE.

☐ Specific characteristics of the material or service that limit the availability to a sole source (unique features, function of the item, etc.). Describe in detail why only this suggested source can furnish the requirements to the exclusion of other sources.

☐ A patent, copyright or proprietary data limits competition. The proprietary data is:
(If FAR 8.405-6(a)(2)iii before posting. Do not include specific proprietary data. Only mention the type of equipment, procedure, etc. to show that proprietary supplies or services are being procured.)

☐ These are "direct replacements" parts/components for existing equipment.

☒ The material/service must be compatible in all aspects (form, fit and function) with existing systems presently installed/performing. Describe the equipment/function you have now and how the new item/service must coordinate, connect, or interface with the existing system.
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The Parata Max has proven integration with VISTA, and currently conforms to all information security protocols as dictated in the signed ISA/MOU. The Parata MAX system is proprietary to Parata Systems, LLC. and is fully tested and supported by Parata prior to installation to ensure full compatibility with existing pharmacy systems.

Pharmacy staff frequently rotate among work sites, and to maintain consistency of operations, no other vendor is considered at this time. Installing a separate and/or different outpatient robot at VA Menlo Park would burden the pharmacy service with additional steps, to include but not limited to: developing additional training plans, policies, procedures, and separate maintenance contracts.

☐ The new work is a logical follow-on to an original Federal Supply Schedule order provided that the original order was placed in accordance with the applicable Federal Supply Schedule ordering procedures. The original order must not have been previously issued under sole source or limited source procedures.

☐ An urgent and compelling need exists, and following the ordering procedures would result in unacceptable delays.

(5) DESCRIBE WHY YOU BELIEVE THE ORDER REPRESENTS THE BEST VALUE CONSISTENT WITH FAR 8.4 TO AID THE CONTRACTING OFFICER IN MAKING THIS BEST VALUE DETERMINATION:

This action is being conducted under FAR 8.405-6(a)(B), "Only one source is capable of providing the supplies or services required at the level of quality required because of the supplies or services are unique or highly specialized; or".

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Competition in Contracting Act (CICA), April 1, 1984 is applicable, however CICA requirements are met by GSA at the federal supply schedule level, and when orders are placed in accordance with FAR Subpart 8.4 procedures, reasonable prices have already been negotiated.

(6) DESCRIBE THE MARKET RESEARCH CONDUCTED AMONG SCHEDULE HOLDERS AND THE RESULTS OR A STATEMENT OF THE REASON MARKET RESEARCH WAS NOT CONDUCTED:

Market research was not conducted as this is a sole source task order. Subsequent actions for this requirement are not expected.

(7) ANY OTHER FACTS SUPPORTING THE JUSTIFICATION:

A notice of intent to sole source this requirement was posted under VA261-17-N-0683, and was issued on Federal Business Opportunities (FBO) on June 27, 2017, yielding zero (0) responses from any interested and/or qualified vendor(s).

(8) A STATEMENT OF THE ACTIONS, IF ANY, THE AGENCY MAY TAKE TO REMOVE OR OVERCOME ANY BARRIERS THAT LED TO THE RESTRICTED CONSIDERATION BEFORE ANY SUBSEQUENT ACQUISITION FOR THE SUPPLIES OR SERVICES IS MADE:

No actions are planned to be taken to remove the barriers to competition as this is a sole source task order. Subsequent actions for this requirement are not expected.

(9) REQUIREMENTS CERTIFICATION: I certify that the requirement outlined in this justification is a Bona Fide Need of the Department of Veterans Affairs and that the supporting data under my cognizance, which are included in the justification, are accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that processing of this limited sources justification restricts consideration of

Federal Supply Schedule contractors to fewer than the number required by FAR Subpart 8.4. (This signature is the requestor's supervisor, fund control point official, chief of service or someone with responsibility and accountability.)


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Katherine Sing

Supervisory FF&E Manager

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Office of Facility Planning and Development,
Procurement Section

NAME

TITLE

SERVICE LINE/SECTION

VA Palo Alto Health Care System

FACILITY

(10) APPROVALS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE VHAPM, Volume 6, Chapter VI: OFOC SOP: This part if filled out by Contracting Staff as part of the Justification

a. CONTRACTING OFFICER'S CERTIFICATION (required): I certify that the foregoing justification is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.


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CONTRACTING OFFICER

DATE

Mandy Thompson

Prosthetics Branch

b. Director of Contracting/DESIGNEE: I certify that the foregoing justification is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.


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SIGNATURE

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Nicholas Kluch

Prosthetics Branch Chief