

**JUSTIFICATION FOR BRAND NAME ONLY 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.

1. ACQUISITION PLAN ACTION ID: VA259-17-AP-8763	1A. PROJECT/TASK NUMBER N/A	1B. ESTIMATED AMOUNT: 
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2. BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF SUPPLIES OR SERVICES REQUIRED AND THE INTENDED USE:
EV1000 Clinical Platform – Patient monitoring system that provides advanced hemodynamic monitoring of patient during and post cardiac surgery.

3. UNIQUE CHARACTERISTICS THAT LIMIT AVAILABILITY TO ONLY ONE BRAND, WITH THE REASON NO OTHER SUPPLIES OR SERVICES CAN BE USED:
The Cardiac Surgical Team and the Nursing Educator have requested this manufacture because they have received training on this platform and it is used at the hospitals that are affiliated with the Oklahoma City Health Care System. With the staff being familiar with the EV1000 Clinical Platform, there will be minimal down time for training, less chance for human error and no delay in patient care.

4. SUGGESTED BRAND NAME INFORMATION
EV1000 Clinical Platform Mfr - Edward Lifesciences

5. REASON THAT SUGGESTED SOURCE CAN PROVIDE THE SUPPLIES OR SERVICES:
Surgeon and medical staff are familiar with EV1000 Clinical Platform and current medical equipment is compatible with the platform.

6. DESCRIPTION OF MARKET RESEARCH CONDUCTED AND RESULTS OR STATEMENT WHY IT WAS NOT CONDUCTED:
Survey of the market resulted in finding multiple SDVOSBs that are capable of full filling this requirement.

7. REQUIREMENTS CERTIFICATIONS: 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 And Belief.

8. CONTRACTING OFFICER'S CERTIFICATION: 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.*

9. DOC/DDOC/DESIGNEE (Required \$3K and above, up to \$150,000): I certify the justification meets requirements for other than full and open competition.