

**JUSTIFICATION FOR SINGLE SOURCE AWARDS IAW FAR 13.106-1
(OVER MICRO-PURCHASE THRESHOLD(\$3.5K) BUT NOT EXCEEDING THE SAT (\$150K))**

IAW FAR 13.104, 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 FAR 13.106-1(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 FAR 13.106-3(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 FAR 13.106-3(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: 664-17-4-072-0287	1A. PROJECT/TASK No. 664-A70242	1B. ESTIMATED AMOUNT: \$43,920.37
2. BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF SUPPLIES OR SERVICES REQUIRED AND THE INTENDED USE: The VA San Diego Healthcare System (VASDHS) Hemodialysis unit requires an emergency replacement of the existing concentrate Solution Delivery System (SDS) with a new upgraded unit to continue providing care to dialysis patients. Hemodialysis requires tremendous volumes of liquid dialysis concentrate to provide specialized hemodialysis care. The medical equipment used to process and deliver these fluids is considered mission-critical and must be maintained and replaced in a timely manner to prevent interruption of this life-sustaining care. Ultimately, this will reduce time and cost for the VA San Diego Hemodialysis Clinic.		
3. UNIQUE CHARACTERISTICS THAT LIMIT AVAILABILITY TO ONLY ONE SOURCE, WITH THE REASON NO OTHER SUPPLIES OR SERVICES CAN BE USED: The rationale for immediate replacement is as follows: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The existing system is in a poor state of repair: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. The unit has had many failures and subsequent repairs throughout the last decade. b. The metal frame, which was previously replaced, has rusted through. c. The unit uniformly in poor repair due to age and hi level use – this includes tubing, wiring and mechanical functions like pumps and valves. d. The plastic piping associated with the system has been damaged by UV light, and is very brittle and difficult to repair. 2. The system was due for routine replacement in 2015. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. In 2016, the system was identified as beyond economical repair after conducting 66 service repairs since October 15, 2005 and the repair costs have exceeded the acquisition costs of the original purchase by about \$7,000. b. It was purchased 12 years ago, and has exceeded its life expectancy by two years. c. The replace/repair model identifies this as "replace" vs. repair. <p>This equipment is just a component to a larger scale system which is not being replaced. Currently, three</p>		

existing acid storage tanks and head tanks will be reused. The three existing concentrate loops and wall box connections will remain as is. All other equipment will remain as is. Therefore, compatibility is a crucial element to the success of this system and the use of any other system will not work.

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

Market research was conducted by issuing a Request for Information (RFI) from September 01, 2017 to September 08, 2017 on FBO under VA262-17-N1893. Only one company responded by providing pricing, literature and a capability statement in which they identified they can provide the required supplies. Upon further review of their SAM profile, Mar Cor Purification, Inc. is identified with NAICS 333318 under their profile with an expiration date of 04/05/2018.

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: 9-19-2017

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