

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

**Justification for Single Source Awards IAW FAR 13.106-1
For
Over Micro-Purchase Threshold but Not Exceeding the SAT (\$150K)**

Acquisition Plan Action ID: VA257-17-AP-11194

1. Contracting Activity: Department of Veterans Affairs, Network Contracting Office (NCO) 17, VISN 17, Olin E. Teague VA Medical Center, Purchase Request 674-18-1-034-0042

2. Brief Description of Supplies/ Services required and the intended use/Estimated Amount:

BacT/ALERT 3D FN Plus, 70 BX x \$630.24 = \$44,116.80

BacT/ALERT 3D FA Plus, 70 BX x \$630.24 = \$44,116.80

BC Collection Adapter, 15 BX x \$78.00 = \$1,170.00

Total: \$89,403.60

3. Unique characteristics that limit availability to only one source, with the reason no other supplies or services can be used: Olin E. Teague VA Medical Center already has the below equipment in place from previous procurement action.

1	243010 BacT/Alert 3D Control Module/Starter Kit	1 Ea
2	210159 BacT/Alert 3D Left Incubator Module	2 Ea
3	US020 BacT/Alert 3D Signature w/Observa	1 Ea
4	213602 BacT/Alert 3D Control Module Stand	1 Ea
5	213589 BacT/Alert 3D Stackign Rack	1 Ea
6	DBT - BTA-3DO BTA 3D OBSERVA Training - S9490	3

The reagents that are listed in paragraph 2 are the only reagents that are compatible with equipment already in place at the Olin E Teague VA Medical Center. These reagents along with equipment are used to process blood cultures for veteran patients. Blood cultures are used to detect the presence of bacteria or fungi in the blood to identify the type present and to help doctors develop a treatment plan. Testing is used to identify a blood infection that can lead to sepsis, a serious and life-threatening complication. There is not sufficient time to compete a new action as it would cause an interruption to current services. Due to the criticality of this requirement and not having an interruption to services this action must be processed immediately without delay IAW FAR

VHAPM Part 813.106 Simplified Acquisition Procedures: Soliciting from a Single Source
Attachment 1: Single Source Justification for SAP under \$150K

6.302-2 Unusual and Compelling Urgency. This action is a Cost Per Test Reagent rental; which includes the equipment.

4. Description of market research conducted and results or statement why it was not conducted:

Limited market research conducted via VetBiz search. Incumbent contractor equipment already in place from pervious procurement action. Required reagents are the only reagents compatible with equipment already in place. Taking any other action will cause an interruption to services; which can't not happen to the criticality of processing blood cultures in a timely manner to diagnose and treat veterans; who may have a life threatening condition.

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 S19 Open Market (FAR13) Award Documentation Form with Abstract to document price reasonableness.



Ross Futch
Contracting Officer

10/13/2017

Date