

**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.

<b>1. ACQUISITION PLAN ACTION ID:</b> VA69D-17-AP-9641	<b>1A. PROJECT/TASK No.</b> 578-18-1-969-0026	<b>1B. ESTIMATED AMOUNT:</b> \$23,613.18
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**2. BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF SUPPLIES OR SERVICES REQUIRED AND THE INTENDED USE:**  
The Edward Hines Jr. VAH Speech Pathology Department has a need for the TIMS 2000 SP Mobile Cart Package with TIMS Mobile Extra Modality Kit and TIMS DICOM Review Software. This equipment will be used with patients seen for video-fluoroscopic swallowing studies.

**3. UNIQUE CHARACTERISTICS THAT LIMIT AVAILABILITY TO ONLY ONE BRAND NAME, WITH THE REASON NO OTHER SUPPLIES OR SERVICES CAN BE USED:**  
TIMS DICOM System (TIMS 2000 SP Mobile Cart Package) is manufactured and distributed exclusively by TIMS Medical a division of Foresight Imaging. TIMS is the only solution for this application that records at the native resolution of the modality, providing the highest quality images for accuracy. TIMS is the only device to provide the proprietary software (TDRS) for workflow efficiency and protection of patient information when needing to send, process (edit), and/or transfer for archiving purposes. TIMS is the only solution to maintain the highest quality images while compressing files/data for management within any archiving source (VNR, VISTA, PACS).  
  
The TIMS equipment will be integrating with current equipment. Equipment is guaranteed to be compatible.

**4. DESCRIPTION OF MARKET RESEARCH CONDUCTED AND RESULTS OR STATEMENT WHY IT WAS NOT CONDUCTED:**  
VIP search was conducted using the search criteria of NAICS Code: 339112, the search resulted in 246 matches. A second search was conducted using the search criteria of NAICS Code: 339112 and the Keyword: TIMS, the search resulted no vendor matches.  
  
The NMR does not apply to this procurement, as the IGCE is less than \$150,000.00, therefore a set aside will be pursued.  
  
Market Research Sources: Ability One / FSS Search / CO Knowledge of Marketplace  
  
Market Research Findings:  
**Ability One** website search was conducted; Ability One does not provide the required product.  
**FSS** search conducted, resulting in one FSS contract holder that can provide the requirement:  
- SAMYAK SOLUTIONS, INC. (60-348-1446) – GS07F052BA – WOSB.  
**CO Knowledge of Marketplace**, procurement for identical requirement was completed 06/28/2017. For this procurement, a Sources Sought was issued, resulting in one vendor response indicating they can provide the requirement:  
- TRILLAMED, LLC (82-812-6321) – SDVOSB.

Based on the information provided above, it is determined this procurement will be fulfilled by issuing a Brand Name Only, Total Small Business Set Aside, Request for Quotation onto FBO, i/a/w: FAR 6.203.

**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:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name:** Thomas H. Chesak

**Title:** Contracting Officer NCO-12