

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: VA255-18-AP-1776/657-18-1-2702-0016

1. **Contracting Activity:** Department of Veterans Affairs, VISN 15, Marion, IL Medical Center for Evansville, IN Health Care Center (CBOC), NCO-15, Leavenworth, KS 66048
2. **Brief Description of Supplies/ Services required and the intended use/Estimated Amount:**
CASE V6.7 Treadmill and accessories. [REDACTED]
3. **Unique characteristics that limit availability to only one source, with the reason no other supplies or services can be used:** Brand name only is being requested in order to standardize with existing equipment. VISN 15 is using only General Electric brand for its noninvasive cardiac procedures and such system is storing all long term test to a MUSE system as to which our EKG's, Holters and Stress Tests are being retrieved and stored through. The use of identical equipment decreases the possibility of human error, thereby increasing patient safety.
4. **Description of market research conducted and results or statement why it was not conducted:**
This upgrade must be provided by the OEM due to the proprietary nature of the equipment, and the FDA's 510K approval process which limits modification to medical equipment. Substituting with other brands than that specially prescribed is beyond the role, competency, and professional functions of the Contract Specialist and Contracting Officer.
[REDACTED]
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.*

Submitted by: Emilio Ballentos

Date: January 3, 2018

Reviewed by:

1/5/2018
X Yvonne B. Kittling
Yvonne B. Kittling Contracting Officer Signed by: Yvonne B. Kittling [REDACTED]