

LIMITED SOURCES JUSTIFICATION

ORDER >\$150,000

FAR PART 8.405-6

Acquisition Plan Action ID: VA260-18-AP-2179

- 1. Contracting Activity:** Department of Veterans Affairs, NCO20 Contracting, procuring for the Portland VA Medical Center under purchase request 648-18-2-9961-0026.
- 2. Description of Action:** This acquisition is conducted under the authority of the Multiple-Award Schedule Program ([41 U.S.C. 251](#) and [40 U.S.C. 501](#)). This is a new requirement and awarded as firm-fixed price delivery order against a NAC contract.

Order against: ☒ FSS Contract Number: V797D-30183

Name of Proposed Contractor: Carefusion Solutions, LLC.

Street Address: 6750 Torrey View Court

City, State, Zip: San Diego, CA. 72130-2635

Phone: (847) 473-7500

3. Description of Supplies or Services:

The estimated value of the proposed action is [REDACTED]

This procurement is for the emergent purchase of 50 EA Carefusion Alaris syringe pump modules (item #8110), 50 EA Guardrails Point-Of-Care Software to operate the syringe modules, remote professional services and equipment check-in services/install.

A syringe pump is a device designed to deliver measured amounts at a constant or controllable rate of a drug or IV solution through IV injection over time, similar to what a solution bag provides. When using a syringe pump repeated injections are not required as they provide constant drug/solution levels over a 24-hour period. Therefore, the syringe pumps can be utilized instead of IV bags and provide the same if not better therapeutic benefit.

(4) IDENTIFY THE AUTHORITY AND SUPPORTING RATIONALE (see [8.405-6\(a\)\(1\)\(i\)\(A\)](#), [\(B\)](#), and [\(C\)](#) or [8.405-6\(b\)](#)), AND IF APPLICABLE, A DEMONSTRATION OF THE PROPOSED CONTRACTOR'S UNIQUE QUALIFICATIONS TO PROVIDE THE REQUIRED SUPPLY OR SERVICE.

☒ An urgent and compelling need exists, and following the ordering procedures would result in unacceptable delays.

There is a nationwide critical shortage of disposable saline bags and other solution bags due to Hurricane Maria's effects on Puerto Rico where these items are manufactured. Therefore, alternate methods of administering required drugs, antibiotics, etc. are required in order to ensure the successful operation of the hospital. The required syringe pumps were identified as the best option to mitigate the risk imposed by the shortage.

The immediate purchase of these items is required to facilitate successful operation of the hospital, to not interrupt patient care, and prevent the outsourcing of patients to other local hospitals.

(5) DESCRIBE WHY YOU BELIEVE THE ORDER REPRESENTS THE BEST VALUE CONSISTENT WITH FAR 8.404(d) TO AID THE CONTRACTING OFFICER IN MAKING THIS BEST VALUE DETERMINATION:

In accordance with FAR 8.404(d) the prices delineated under scheduled contracts have already been determined to be fair and reasonable. Carefusion Solutions, LLC is the manufacturer of these items and can meet our emergent timeline. Furthermore, a lease vs. buy analysis was performed and revealed that buying these items represents a cost saving of [REDACTED].

(6) DESCRIBE THE MARKET RESEARCH CONDUCTED AMONG SCHEDULE HOLDERS AND THE RESULTS OR A STATEMENT OF THE REASON MARKET RESEARCH WAS NOT CONDUCTED:

Due to the emergent status of this order, limited market research was performed. The required items are not available from a mandatory source. The determination was made by the contracting officer that purchasing from the manufacturer is the fastest and most efficient means of satisfying this urgent requirement.

(7) ANY OTHER FACTS SUPPORTING THE JUSTIFICATION: Hospitals are currently struggling to battle the peak of flu season amid a widespread IV bag shortage. The main reason of shortage of IV bags was Hurricane Maria cut power to Baxter's manufacturing plants, which makes up more than 43% of the U.S. IV solution market, in Puerto Rico.

<https://www.cbsnews.com/news/flu-season-straining-resources-iv-bag-shortage-hurricane-maria-puerto-rico/>

(8) A STATEMENT OF THE ACTIONS, IF ANY, THE AGENCY MAY TAKE TO REMOVE OR OVERCOME ANY BARRIERS THAT LED TO THE RESTRICTED CONSIDERATION BEFORE ANY SUBSEQUENT ACQUISITION FOR THE SUPPLIES OR SERVICES IS MADE: N/A

(9) REQUIREMENTS CERTIFICATION: 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. I understand that processing of this limited sources justification restricts

VHAPM Part 808.405-6 Limiting Sources
Attachment 2: Request for Limited Sources Justification Format >\$150K

consideration of Federal Supply Schedule contractors to fewer than the number required by FAR Subpart 8.4. *(This signature is the requestor's supervisor, fund control point official, chief of service or someone with responsibility and accountability.)*

Christopher M.

Arciga

January 11, 2018

SIGNATURE

DATE

Christopher Arciga

Biomedical Engineer

Biomedical Engineering/FMS

NAME

TITLE

SERVICE LINE/SECTION

648-Portland

FACILITY

(10) APPROVALS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE [VHAPM Part 806.3 OFOC SOP](#):

a. CONTRACTING OFFICER'S CERTIFICATION (required): I certify that the foregoing justification is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Jacob P.

Jackson

1/11/2018

CONTRACTING OFFICER

DATE

Jacob Jackson, Contract Officer

NCO 20

NAME AND TITLE

FACILITY

b. One Level Above the Contracting Officer (Required over\$150K but not exceeding \$700K): I certify the justification meets requirements for other than full and open competition.

Jonathan D.

SIGNATURE

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NAME