

JUSTIFICATION FOR SINGLE SOURCE AWARDS IAW FAR 13.106-1
(OVER MICRO-PURCHASE THRESHOLD(\$3K) 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.

1. PURCHASE REQUEST OR REQUISITION NUMBER: 539-18-2-072-0090	1A. PROJECT/TASK NUMBER NONE	1B. ESTIMATED AMOUNT: \$109,800.00
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2. BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF SUPPLIES OR SERVICES REQUIRED AND THE INTENDED USE:
Biomerieux shall provide all necessary labor, management, supervision, technical skills, quality control, materials, parts, tools, transportation, and equipment necessary to perform maintenance on the Vitek 2 system as stated on Quote. All work shall be performed in strict accordance with the manufacturer's specifications. Service coverage is for a base year with four (4), one-year options, March 2, 2018 to March 1, 2023.

3. UNIQUE CHARACTERISTICS THAT LIMIT AVAILABILITY TO ONLY ONE SOURCE, WITH THE REASON NO OTHER SUPPLIES OR SERVICES CAN BE USED:
Biomerieux Inc. is the manufacturer (OEM) of this equipment and the only authorized repair service. Any use of unauthorized service can void warranties and may cause the government to pay unreasonable costs in future for repairs and service agreements. Manufacturer does not have any authorized vendors or field technicians to provide competition.

4. REASON THAT SUGGESTED SOURCE IS THE ONLY SOURCE, WHICH CAN PROVIDE THE SUPPLIES OR SERVICES:
This contract is being procured on a sole source basis due to the manufacturer's unique knowledge of the Vitek 2 equipment.

5. DESCRIPTION OF MARKET RESEARCH CONDUCTED AND RESULTS OR STATEMENT WHY IT WAS NOT CONDUCTED:
Market research was not completed as Biomerieux has unique knowledge of this equipment as they are the manufacturer.

6. 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.*

Signature: _____
Name: _____
Title: _____
Facility: _____

Date: _____