

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

**Justification for Single Source Awards IAW [FAR 13.106-1](#)
For
Over Micro-Purchase Threshold but Not Exceeding the SAT (\$250K)**

Acquisition Plan Action ID: VA246-18-AP-11224

- 1. Contracting Activity:** Department of Veterans Affairs, VISN 6, *Hunter Holmes McGuire Medical Center*. Purchase Request Number: 652-18-3-165-0237.
- 2. Brief Description of Supplies/ Services required and the intended use/Estimated Amount:**
ICS Chartr 200 VNG is required for broad balance testing and diagnosis of impairment of the vestibular system. This is the standard, basic testing procedure of the vestibular system semicircular canals.
- 3. Unique characteristics that limit availability to only one source, with the reason no other supplies or services can be used:** The Chartr system will accommodate additional software to purchase in the future, for more specific diagnostic tools to determine vestibular pathology, including VEMP software for utricle and saccule pathological diagnosis. It will also accommodate additional auditory brainstem response software to determine retrocochlear pathology of the auditory system without sending for expensive MRI and electrocochleography to diagnose Meniere's Disease.
- 4. Description of market research conducted and results or statement why it was not conducted:**
VISN 6 has standardized on the use of Chartr software. The manufacturer, Otometrics/Audiology Systems, stated that they have only one SDVOSB authorized distributor, Veterans Healthcare Supply Solutions.
- 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.*

John J. Summers
Contracting Officer

6/29/18

Date