

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: VA248-18-AP-0187

- 1. Contracting Activity:** Department of Veterans Affairs, VISN 08, James A. Haley Medical Center, Logistics Service, 13000 Bruce B. Downs, Tampa Fl. 33612. Reference purchase request 673-18-3-084-0161.
- 2. Brief Description of Supplies/ Services required and the intended use/Estimated Amount:** This is a one-time Firm-Fixed Price brand name only request to purchase Automated Dispensing Equipment (Pyxis) manufactured by CareFusion. The estimated value of this procurement is **\$104,798.00**
- 3. Unique characteristics that limit availability to only one source, with the reason no other supplies or services can be used:** CareFusion is the only source and brand name manufacturer of the Pyxis automated dispensing system. JAHVH currently have the CareFusion Pyxis system for pharmaceutical drug dispensing. The Government requires the brand (Pyxis) equipment to integrate and maintain capability with the current Government owned system. These machines are all connected to Pharmacy Service and are required for long-term storage of temperature sensitive medications. CareFusion equipment offers standardize use of the same brand of equipment to support medication storage under the same practices, policies and for proprietary configuration to continue the universal communication with all dispensing areas in the hospital. Carefusion is the sole manufacturer/distributor of all Pyxis products. The attempt to interface/integrate other equipment will render the Government owned system inoperable and costly to replace.
- 4. Description of market research conducted and results or statement why it was not conducted:** Market research conducted using Web-site, NAC, GSA/FSS, Vista and FPDS. Web-site indicates there are other similar dispensing machines, however other brands of dispenser will not interface or integrates with CareFusion equipment. FSS/GSA revealed that CareFusion has a FSS contract#36F79718D0454, under SIN 65IIA/A-92. FPDS revealed that Network Contracting Office 17, Temple VA Medical purchased Medstation on March 3, 2018 quantity one in the amount of [REDACTED] to include 12 months service. Reference contract#36C25718P1106. The procurement was sole source to CareFusion. Vista indicates that on September 20, 2012 James A. Haley procured similar equipment in the amount of [REDACTED] reference contract# VA248-12-F-4858. This procurement was also sole source to CareFusion. CareFusion have SDVOSB distributors, therefore, the solicitation will be set aside to SDVOSB, brand name only.
- 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.*

VHAPM Part 813.106 Simplified Acquisition Procedures: Soliciting from a Single Source
Attachment 1: Sole Source Justification for SAP under the SAT

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Contracting Officer

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Date