

**DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS**

**Justification and Approval (J&A)  
For  
Other Than Full and Open Competition (>SAT)**

**Acquisition Plan Action ID:** 36C248-18-AP-0167

1. **Contracting Activity:** Department of Veterans Affairs, VISN 08, Network Contracting Office 8 North Florida/South Georgia (NF/SG VAMC) Commodities Team, Malcom Randall VA Medical Center. This is a justification for Other Than Full and Open Competition for Brand Name.
2. **Nature and/or Description of the Action Being Processed:** This request is to purchase and install the Alaris System Manager database server that will be located Biomedical Engineering server room.
3. **Description of Supplies/Services Required to Meet the Agency's Needs:** This system will interface with the BD/Alaris infusion pumps currently in full and operational use at the NF/SG VAMC. This will significantly enhance patient care and services (focused on improving patient safety) provided by Pharmacy and Biomedical Engineering. Estimated cost: to include implementation and license for additional locations.
4. **Statutory Authority Permitting Other than Full and Open Competition:**  
(X) (1) Only One Responsible Source and No Other Supplies or Services Will Satisfy Agency Requirements per FAR 6.302-1;  
( ) (2) Unusual and Compelling Urgency per FAR 6.302-2;  
( ) (3) Industrial Mobilization, Engineering, Developmental or Research Capability or Expert Services per FAR 6.302-3;  
( ) (4) International Agreement per FAR 6.302-4  
( ) (5) Authorized or Required by Statute FAR 6.302-5;  
( ) (6) National Security per FAR 6.302-6;  
( ) (7) Public Interest per FAR 6.302-7;
5. **Demonstration that the Contractor's Unique Qualifications or Nature of the Acquisition Requires the Use of the Authority Cited Above (applicability of authority):** An exception pursuant to FAR 13.106-1(b)(2) is requested to meet this brand name requirement. Brand name manufacture BD/Alaris is required as NF/SG VAMC is currently utilizing the BD/Alaris infusion pumps throughout the facility. This system will interface with infusion pumps and provide a variety of features (many centered around patient safety) that will enhance the services provided By Biomedical Engineering. Only BD/Alaris can provide this system that is fully compatible in regard to form, fit and functionality with the current Alaris Infusion Pumps. No other system is compatible to interface with the BD/Alaris.
6. **Description of Efforts Made to ensure that offers are solicited from as many potential sources as deemed practicable:** Market research has demonstrated that BD/Alaris has two (2) or more Service Disabled Veteran Owned small business authorized distributors to sell and install the BD/Alaris system to be fully compatible with the current system in use.

VHAPM Part 806.3 Other Than Full and Open Competition (OFOC) SOP  
Attachment 2: Request for Sole Source Justification Format >SAT

7. **Determination by the CO that the Anticipated Cost to the Government will be Fair and Reasonable:** An SDVOSB set-aside competitive procurement is anticipated, thus resulting in the potential awardees price to be considered fair and reasonable.
8. **Description of the Market Research Conducted and the Results, or a Statement of the Reasons Market Research Was Not Conducted:** The CO conducted market research through the VIP database to include a further search into their capabilities statement which included and RFI email to eight (8) potential SDVSOB offerors.
9. **Any Other Facts Supporting the Use of Other than Full and Open Competition:** None
10. **Listing of Sources that Expressed, in Writing, an Interest in the Acquisition:** N/A
11. **A Statement of the Actions, if any, the Agency May Take to Remove or Overcome any Barriers to Competition before Making subsequent acquisitions for the supplies or services required:** As the current need is to implement a system that is currently in-use at the NF/SG VAMC there is not an advantage to overcome barriers for brand name equipment unless the facility investing in all new equipment which at this time is not a financially sound decision.
12. **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 and belief.

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Coleman Blincoe, Biomedical Engineering

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Date

13. **Approvals in accordance with the [VHAPM Part 806.3 OFOC SOP:](#)**

- a. **Contracting Officer or Designee's Certification (required):** I certify that the foregoing justification is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

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Scott Brickey  
Contracting Officer

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Date

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

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Denise M. Rose  
NCO 8, Commodities  
Branch Chief

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Date