

**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:** 688-18-2-459-0384

**1. Contracting Activity:** Department of Veterans Affairs, VISN 05, VA Medical Center, 50 Irving Street, NW. Washington, D. C. 20422.

**2. Brief Description of Supplies/ Services required and the intended use/Estimated Amount:**

Furnish part and labor to replace damaged refrigerator doors. These doors are located in the patient kitchen. The replacement doors are required to maintain temperature needed to safely store foodstuff. This requirement is to replace failing doors.

**3. Unique characteristics that limit availability to only one source, with the reason no other supplies or services can be used:**

The award will be made under Authority 6.302-2 Unusual and Compelling Urgency in accordance with 41 U.S.C. 3304 (A) (2). Delay in award of a contract would result in serious injury, financial or other to the Government.

The doors required under this contract are manufactured by Bally. The doors (adapt-a-door) are custom door for existing refrigerated units. The Original Equipment Manufacture and the authorized representative are the only vendors accredited to access, repair, or maintain these doors.

Currently patients are at risk each day the doors are not repaired or replaced. The immediate concern is contamination of foodstuff being utilized from these refrigerated units. The need to address the failing doors is crucial in the health of the VA's patients. It is critical that the food being stored in these unit be kept at or below 40 degree Fahrenheit . Food supplies stored in an improperly sealed refrigerator exposes the food to microorganisms such as Salmonella, E. coli and Botulism. Without immediate correction to this situation the inability of the doors to properly seal will cause further harm, injury and or illness to patients under the hospital's care.

**4. Description of market research conducted and results or statement why it was not conducted:**

RFI was posted on GSA e-buy. The internet, FPDS-NG and FedBizOpps were surveyed to locate the custom made products and services being required.

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.*** An Internet survey located several open market refrigerator door vendors with pricing ranging from \$1,274.00 to \$7,380.00 per custom door.

The price as provided by the Service Disabled Veteran Owned Small Business vendor, Veterans Healthcare Supply Solution (VHSS) shows no custom door priced at more than \$3,015.00. The price as provided by VHSS is well within industry standards and is considered fair & reasonable to the Government. The Contracting Officer has determined that it is in the best interest of the Government to move forward with an immediate award to VHSS.

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