

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: 36C250-18-AP-0369

- 1. Contracting Activity:** Department of Veterans Affairs,
VISN 10,
Network Contracting Office (NCO) 10,
Cincinnati VA Medical Center

539-18-3-986-0023

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

One (1) V-Pro MaX Low Temperature Sterilizer for the Sterile Processing Service (SPS).

The procurement of the sterilizer will be an addition to the other STERIS sterilizers currently being used in SPS at the Cincinnati VA Medical Center. Estimated Amount: \$144,533.18.

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

STERIS Corporation is the manufacturer capable of providing the equipment required without substantial duplication of cost the Department of Veterans Affairs that could not be recovered through competition and unacceptable delays in fulfilling requirements.

SPS at the Cincinnati VA Medical Center requires an additional sterilizer due to the increase in workload in the ENT clinic and OR. SPS is not able to keep up with the turnovers due to not having enough sterilizers to accommodate the workload of the receiving areas. There are no other known companies that can provide this sterilizer and allow for standardization for SPS and the Medical Center.

1st American Medical Distributors, Inc. is the exclusive distributor for this product and are an SDVOSB.

41 USC §3304(a)(5), 38 U.S. Code § 8127, as implemented by FAR 6.302-5 (Authorized or Required by Statute). COs may use the non-competitive (sole source) procedures authorized in VAAR 819.7007 or 819.7008 up to \$5,000,000.

819.7007 Sole source awards to a verified service-disabled veteran-owned small business.

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

VetBiz, NAC, FSS, GSA ADVANTAGE, and GOOGLE were used to search for equipment to meet the needs of this requirement. The Sterile Processing Service also utilized testing, literature, and expert experience to find machines that had the potential to meet the needs of SPS. Similar equipment to the recommended equipment was found, however, utilizing such equipment would require substantial duplication of cost the Department of Veterans Affairs that could not be recovered through competition and unacceptable delays in fulfilling requirements.

- 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: Single Source Justification for SAP under the SAT

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