

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Brand-name Justification IAW FAR 13.501

For

Over Micro-Purchase Threshold but Not Exceeding the SAT (\$250K)

Acquisition Plan Action ID: VA257-18-AP-0203

1. **Contracting Activity:** Department of Veterans Affairs, VISN 17, Network Contracting Officer in San Antonio is purchasing on behalf of Thomas E Creek Medical Center, under request (2237) number 504-18-3-135-0156.
2. **Brief Description of Supplies/ Services required and the intended use/Estimated Amount:** The Respiratory Department at the Thomas E Creek Medical Center would like to order an additional ten (10) sleep study testing equipment, WATCH-PAT 200. Respiratory Service is required to use the WATCH-PAT 200 equipment due to the apnea testing software at the Amarillo VA Health Care System. This department would like keep the 1 year warranty to include in-service training on the equipment.
3. **Unique characteristics that limit availability to only one source, with the reason no other supplies or services can be used:** The equipment is needed due to the large amount of sleep studies requested from outlying areas and the time it takes for the patient to mail back the sleep study equipment (4-5 days) we can't meet the current 30-day VA guideline scheduling policy for new patients seen in the clinic. With approximately 75% of the studies performed in the clinic being from outlying areas there is no way to currently meet the VA policy. Below are the salient characteristics required:

WP200U Device includes:

- Embedded non-invasive monitoring of rest /activity cycles
- Pulse Oximeter
- CPU and Circuit Card
- Micro Secure Digital Card drive
- Rechargeable Lithium Ion Battery
- LCD Display
- Oximetry Probe
- Connection Cable Probe
- AC Adapter for charging
- Carrying Case

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

4. **Description of market research conducted and results or statement why it was not conducted:** A key word search for "sleep" was conducted on VIP, and the search resulted in 5 matches from SDVOSB/VOSB, under NAICS code 339112. A search of GSA Advantage, utilizing the Manufacturer's part number search for AC21105XX and WatchPat (most expensive item on the list of equipment) was conducted and a similar item (Watch-Pat 100) was available on GSA Advantage from one SDVOSB under FSS contracts V797P-4168B. Updated version WatchPAT 200 was not available on GSA.

A search of SBA Dynamic Small Business Search utilizing the key word search for "sleep" was conducted on DSBS. The search resulted in 3 matches from SDVOSB, and 4 matches from VOSB, under NAICS code 339112.

Based on the above, it is the recommendation of the Contracting Officer that the requirement be solicited as a competitive set-aside for SDVOSB concerns via open market to maximize SDVOSB competition among vendors for an estimated amount of \$39K. This will also allow for support of the Kingdom-ware Rule.

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.*

[Redacted Signature]

[Redacted Name]
Contracting Officer
NCO 17

Date