

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Justification for Single Source Awards IAW [FAR 13.106-1](#)
For
Over Micro-Purchase Threshold but Not Exceeding the SAT (\$150K)

Acquisition Plan Action ID: VA786-18-AP-0531

1. **Contracting Activity:** Department of Veterans Affairs, National Cemetery Administration
75 Barrett Heights Road Suite 309
Stafford, VA 22556.
Purchase Request Number: 9188-000028.
2. **Brief Description of Supplies/ Services required and the intended use/Estimated Amount:**
Dura Deck 4' X 8' Fiberglass Boards for OWRNC internment operations.
3. **Unique characteristics that limit availability to only one source, with the reason no other supplies or services can be used:** A) There is only one manufacturer of the particular brand sought, and the manufacturer is the sole dealer found during market research in GSA Advantage database. B) The type of Dura Deck's unique features are clear boards that allow UV light to penetrate to keep the grass lush and green as the customer desires. The same brand name Dura Decks offered by other vendors are thick and do not allow UV light rays to penetrate, resulting in burns that kill the grass. C) Dimension is another critical requirement, which only one source can provide to fit the customer's needs.
4. **Description of market research conducted and results or statement why it was not conducted:**
The CO conducted market research and found the following: a) There are 21 Small Businesses offering Dura Deck brand name on the market. Research established that the 10 SDVOSB and the two (2) VOSB vendors found in VIP are not authorized resellers of the material sought. b) GSA Advantage search produced 21 vendors selling the Dura Deck, but the particular type the agency seeks to procure is manufactured by only one company (Signature Systems Group.) Research also found that Signature Systems Group owns the intellectual property rights to his brand, and the company sells to other vendors for distribution at a three to five percent price higher than the retail price. For the reasons stated in item #3 above, the CO made a determination to go sole source with Signature Systems Group.
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.*

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Title: Contracting Officer

07/19/2018
Date

