

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS
Justification and Approval
For
Other Than Full and Open Competition

1. Contracting Activity: Department of Veterans Affairs, Network 16 Contracting Activity, Michael E. DeBakey VA Medical Center

2. Nature and/or Description of the Action Being Processed: Sole source acquisition of rigid bronchoscope for FSS purchase.

3. Description of Supplies/Services Required to Meet the Agency's Needs:

Controlled application of extreme cold in order to devitalize tissue and for removal of foreign bodies, mucous plugs, necrotic tissue and tissue biopsy by cryoadhesion. allows us to better sample and treat lesions more distal in the lung and in the upper lobes b/c of smaller size, also potentially less bleeding. For use with existing system.

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):

This product is for use with existing system – rigid bronchoscopes. The department will be able to match existing equipment that the staff are well trained on. For critical surgeries the ease of compatibility of systems/equipment will ensure deviations during procedures

6. Description of Efforts Made to ensure that offers are solicited from as many potential sources as deemed practicable: unable to find part through other vendors on GSA Advantage or yahoo/google search engines.

7. Determination by the Contracting Officer that the Anticipated Cost to the Government will be Fair and Reasonable: I have determined the price to be fair and reasonable based on market research conducted during April 1 – 20, 2018. I reviewed GSA Advantage and only found this one with all the necessary parts/items that the service needs to provide patient care.

8. Description of the Market Research Conducted and the Results, or a Statement of the Reasons Market Research Was Not Conducted:

The MEDVAMC Bronchoscopy staff are very cognizant of products on the market for these types of procedures. The department has compatible bronchoscopes that will be used with this one that will enable compatibility between scopes/systems.

9. Any Other Facts Supporting the Use of Other than Full and Open Competition: This product is the primary choice by the therapists and pulmonologist for patient care utilizing the same equipment parts/items.

10. Listing of Sources that Expressed, in Writing, an Interest in the Acquisition: None

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:

The VAMC will continue to use this brand of equipment for the foreseeable future. If that changes we will consider other brands of equipment for future requirements.

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. For future requirements of this type we will once again conduct extensive market research to try to locate competition on our requirement.

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Supervisory HSS
Michael E. DeBakey

Date

13. Approvals in accordance with FAR 6.304 This part is filled out by Contracting Staff as part of the Justification

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

Bennett Smith
Contracting Officer
NCO 16
Central Arkansas Veterans Healthcare System

Date