

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

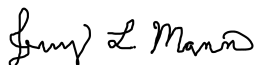
Justification and Approval (J&A)

For

Brand Name Only

Acquisition Plan Action ID: 36C246-18-AP-2280

1. **Contracting Activity:** Department of Veterans Affairs, VISN 06, Hampton VA Medical Center, 100 Emancipation Drive, Hampton, VA 23667 Purchase Request No. 652-18-4-165-0408.
2. **Brief Description of Supplies/ Services required and the intended use/Estimated Amount:** The Richmond VAMC is in need of a brand name Stryker Corporation Neptune 3 Suction System. The Neptune Suction System will aid the Richmond VAMC O.R. personnel in reducing exposure to suctioned biohazardous fluids. The estimated amount is; \$147,125.58.
3. **Unique characteristics that limit availability to only one source, with the reason no other supplies or services can be used:** The items in need for this procurement are proprietary to Stryker Corporation. The Richmond VAMC has standardized on the Stryker Neptune platform and these items are the only ones that will be compatible with the current docking stations, disposables and smoke evac inserts. This procurement will upgrade Richmond's existing Neptune 1 units and allow them to provide seamless uninterrupted care for their patient population. The purchase of any other brand would cause compatibility issues with the current platform and result in substantial duplication of costs that are not likely to be recouped through competition.
4. **Description of market research conducted and results or statement why it was not conducted:** Market research efforts included contacting the manufacturer for confirmation of proprietorship as well as a list of authorized resellers/distributors. The manufacturer provided a list of 3 SDVOSB's that were authorized resellers/distributors. The contracting officer believes that the VA Rule of Two will be satisfied for this acquisition and recommends a 100% SDVOSB set-aside IAW VAAR 819.7005.
5. **Contracting Officer's Certification:** *Purchase is approved in accordance with VAAR 819.7005. I certify that the foregoing justification is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.*



Jerry L Mann  
Contracting Officer, Supply Team II

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Date