

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: 36C257-18-AP-2278

1. **Contracting Activity:** Department of Veterans Affairs, NCO 17, *Central Texas Veterans Health Care System CTVHCS, 1901 Veterans Memorial Dr. Temple, TX 76504.*

2237 PR# 674-18-3-5066-0067

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

*The VA requires Television and internet services at all the locations in Central Texas for the patient's usage and is a very important service.*

*The contractor shall provide a variety of Television channels that can be channeled thru out the VA clinics and Hospital receiving the Service within CTX.*

*The Contractor shall provide the internet connection and provide a list of all assigned IP addresses and ports that are setup for remote connection thru the firewall.*

*The contractor shall provide assistance and parts when needed on issues involving the hardline fiber connections. This consists of connector repair, tuning of amplifiers and replacing of filters in the amplifiers within the VA Cable plant. This does not include the replacement of the Fiber itself.*

*This requirement is estimated to cost \$70,471.56 for a 3-month performance period.*

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

*Requesting a 3-month emergency bridge contract due to not receiving offers during the open solicitation period. The current contract expires on 8/31/18. 2 contractors failed to offer a quote and the incumbent stated that they need more time because they didn't know the solicitation was out.*

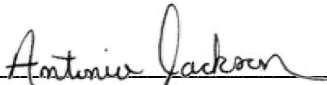
*The incumbent contractor, Time Warner Cable (now Spectrum), has the current contract (VA257-17-P-0962) which expires on 8/31/18. There is not enough time to receive offers, provide technical evaluations and make an award of the long-term contract.*

*This will be a follow-on/bridge contract to the current contract VA257-17-P-0962.*

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

*Due to the urgency and nature of this action, efforts to solicit from other sources was not viable. There is no time to solicit, award, and conduct a possible transition between contractors due to not receiving any offers to the solicitation that was posted via fbo.gov. A delay in executing an emergency bridge contract will cause outages of television and internet services that the veteran population depend on.*

**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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Antonio M. Jackson  
Contracting Officer

8-29-2018  
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Date