

JUSTIFICATION  
FOR OTHER THAN FULL AND OPEN COMPETITION

1. Contracting Activity: Department of Veterans Affairs (VA)  
Office of Procurement, Acquisition, and Logistics  
Technology Acquisition Center  
23 Christopher Way  
Eatontown, NJ 07724
  
2. Description of Action: The proposed action is for a sole source firm-fixed-price contract with the city of Loma Linda, California to continue providing interconnection via dark fiber from the Loma Linda VAMC to six VA facilities in Redlands, California.
  
3. Description of Supplies or Services: The proposed action is to provide interconnection via dark fiber from the Loma Linda VAMC to multiple locations located in Redlands CA that are operated by the City of Loma Linda. The period of performance is a 12-month base period with four 12-month option periods. The total estimated dollar value of this contract is ■ inclusive of the option periods.
  
4. Statutory Authority: The statutory authority permitting other than full and open competition is 41 U.S.C.3304(a)(1) as implemented by Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) 6.302-1 entitled, "Only One Responsible Source and No Other Supplies or Services Will Satisfy Agency Requirements."
  
5. Rationale Supporting Use of Authority Cited Above: Based on market research, as described in section 8 of this justification, it has been determined that only the city of Loma Linda is capable of providing the aforementioned services. The city of Loma Linda has installed the entire required infrastructure and is the only vendor authorized access to this infrastructure. In addition, the city of Loma Linda currently has the infrastructure at the industrial park as well as taking the services back to Loma Linda VAMC. Therefore, no other vendor can provide the 2 strand dark fiber connections to VA.
  
6. Efforts to Obtain Competition: Market research was conducted, details of which are in section 8 of this justification. This effort did not yield any other vendors that can provide the services that can meet the Government's requirements. There is no competition anticipated for this action. In accordance with FAR 5.201, the proposed action will be synopsisized on the Federal Business Opportunities (FBO) Page. Any proposals that are received shall be evaluated.
  
7. Actions to Increase Competition: The Government will continue to conduct market research and communicate with the lessor to ascertain if there are changes which will allow for competition to provide Dark Fiber to Redlands, CA.
  
8. Market Research: Market Research was conducted in August 2018 by posting a Request for Information (RFI) notice on FBO in order to obtain information. The RFI, 36C10B18Q3100 was posted on August 9, 2018 seeking sources that could provide

the dark fiber connections as specified in the Performance Work Statement without interruption. The RFI closed on August 13, 2018 with no responses received. Based on this market research it was determined that only the city of Loma Linda is capable of providing the aforementioned services.

9. Other Facts: None.

10. Technical and Requirements Certification: I certify that the supporting data under my cognizance, which are included in this justification, are accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

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11. Fair and Reasonable Cost Determination: I hereby determine that the anticipated price to the Government for this contract action will be fair and reasonable based on price analysis via a comparison of the proposal against the Independent Government Cost Estimate and past historical prices paid for the same and/or similar services.

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12. Procuring Contracting Officer Certification: I certify that this justification is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. As this contract action does not exceed \$700,000, the certification below required by FAR 6.303-2(b)(12) serves as approval.

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