

**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: 36C250-18-AP-3235**

- 1. Contracting Activity:** Department of Veterans Affairs, NCO 10 (36C506), Construction/ AE Team 3, Ann Arbor, MI for Battle Creek Medical Center (36C515), PR-IFCAP 515-18-4-155-0093.
- 2. Brief Description of Supplies/ Services required and the intended use/Estimated Amount:** NCO 10 Construction/ AE Team intends a new urgent and compelling FFP LPTA award to a Veteran Owned Small Business. The intended Contractor shall provide labor and materials to correct Boiler Plant Safety Device Testing (SDT) deficiencies at the Battle Creek VA Medical Center, 5500 Armstrong Rd, Battle Creek MI 49037. The corrections will be field verified to confirm proper boiler operation. **The estimated amount is unknown.** This procurement is for Correcting Boiler Deficiencies in accordance with FAR 13.5 Simplified Procedures for Certain Commercial Items and specifically FAR 13.501 Special Documentation Requirements, where acquisitions conducted under Simplified Acquisition Procedures are exempt from the requirements of FAR Part 6, but still require a justification using the format of FAR 6.303-2.

Correcting deficiencies as identified in the VAMC BOILER PLANT SAFETY TESTING EVALUATION & COMBUSTION TUNING, report dated July 23, 2018 (attached). All corrections provided under this contract must conform to the VA Safety Device Testing Manual 4<sup>th</sup> Edition.

- 3. Unique characteristics that limit availability to only one source, with the reason no other supplies or services can be used:** The unusual and compelling circumstances include essential repairs to the Boiler Plant to mitigate catastrophic malfunction to the Boilers #2,4, and 5 of the Plant supporting the Battle Creek VAMC. A malfunction or failure of the Boiler Plant causing an explosion is highly probable resulting in a catastrophic loss or injury of personnel and damage to the facility. Currently each hour personnel must manually check each broiler to verify that the broilers are working acceptable. The agency is unable to sustain and must have repairs completed immediately. Not supporting the VAMC would result in the total impairment of healthcare delivery capabilities plus mission failure.  
The period of performance for this requirement begins immediately. The end of the period of performance is unknown but will not exceed one year. Should additional time be required to satisfy the deficiencies every effort practical will be used to compete this requirement.

- 4. Description of market research conducted and results or statement why it was not conducted:** A Nationwide search of the Vendor Information Pages (VIP) utilizing NAICS 238990 (All Other Specialty Trade Contractors) was conducted resulting 1103 SDVOSB/VOSB (934 SDVOSB/169 VOSB); Michigan,

VHAPM Part 813.106 Simplified Acquisition Procedures: Soliciting from a Single Source  
Attachment 1: Single Source Justification for SAP under the SAT

Indiana and Ohio resulted in 395 SDVOSB/VOSB (337 SDVOSB/58 VOSB); Michigan resulted in 25 SDVOSB/VOSB (18 SDVOSB/7 VOSB); and Battle Creek, MI resulted in 01 SDVSB/VOSB (01 SDVOSB/0 VOSB).

Also, telephonic inquiries were conducted to 3 known capable vendors that have demonstrated knowledge of the facility's equipment and proposed project. 1 Other than small, 1 Small, and 1 VOSB to determine the market price that could meet a strict timeline to mitigate safety hazards and risks to mission failure.

- 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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