

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION (RFI)/SOURCES SOUGHT

DISCLAIMER

This RFI is issued solely for information and planning purposes only and does not constitute a solicitation. All information received in response to this RFI that is marked as proprietary will be handled accordingly. Responses to this notice are not offers and cannot be accepted by the Government to form a binding contract. Responders are solely responsible for all expenses associated with responding to this RFI.

The submission of pricing, capabilities for planning purposes, and other market information is highly encouraged and allowed under this RFI In Accordance With (IAW) FAR Part 15.201(e).

SOURCES SOUGHT DESCRIPTION

This is NOT a solicitation announcement. This is a RFI/sources sought only. The purpose of this sources sought/RFI is to gain knowledge of potential qualified sources and their size classification relative to NAICS 325413 (size standard of 1,250 employees). Responses to this sources sought will be used by the Government to make appropriate acquisition decisions. After review of the responses to this sources sought, a solicitation announcement may be published. Responses to this sources sought synopsis are not considered adequate responses for a solicitation announcement.

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), VISN 21 Network Contracting Office, is seeking sources that can provide the brand name or equal requirement described below.

Please note that these requirements are not finalized and is subject to change based on the responses to this RFI. The information identified in the attachments are intended to be descriptive, not restrictive and to indicate the quality of the supplies/services that will be satisfactory. It is the responsibility of the interested source to demonstrate to the government that the interested parties can provide the supplies/services that fulfill the required brand name specifications, or provide alternative solutions.

If you are interested, and are capable of providing the sought out supplies/services, please provide the requested information as well as the information indicated below. Response to this notice should include company name, address, point of contact, size of business pursuant to the following questions:

- (1) Please indicate the size status and representations of your business, such as but not limited to: Service Disabled Veteran Owned Small Business (SDVOSB), Veteran Owned Small Business (VOSB), Hubzone, Woman Owned Small Business (WOSB), Large Business, etc.)?
- (2) Is your company considered small under the NAICS code identified under this RFI?

- (3) Are you the manufacturer, distributor, or an equivalent solution to the items being referenced above?
- (4) If you're a small business and you are an authorized distributor/reseller for the items identified above or an equivalent solution, do you alter; assemble; modify; the items requested in any way? If you do, state how and what is altered; assembled; modified?
- (5) Does your company have an FSS contract with GSA, VA NAC, NASA SEWP, or any other federal contract, that can be utilized to procure the requirement listed above? If so, please provide the contract number.
- (6) Please provide general pricing of your products/solution for market research purposes. Catalog list prices, FSS prices, or any other publicized price lists are acceptable.
- (7) Please submit your capabilities that show clear, compelling, and convincing evidence that you can meet the requirement described in the attached SOW.
- (8) Please provide your DUNS number.

Responses to this notice shall be submitted via email to Philip "Gabe" Caganap at Philip.Caganap2@va.gov. Telephone responses shall not be accepted. Responses must be received no later than Friday, October 26, 2018 at 0800 PDT. If a solicitation is issued it shall be announced at a later date, and all interested parties must respond to that solicitation announcement separately from the responses to this sources sought. Responses to this sources sought notice are not a request to be added to a prospective bidders list or to receive a copy of the solicitation.

VA Palo Alto laboratory needs microbiological growth detection supplies that have FDA clearance for Mycobacteria and Sterile Body Fluid testing. These supplies must be compatible on VA owned instruments Biomerieux Vitek and Vitek MS.

Brand Name Information

Manufacturer: Biomerieux

Analyzer Model Name: Vitek and Vitek MS

Reagent Part/Model No.: See table below

If providing information on brand name equal items, please provide the name, model number, and capabilities of the suggested instrument, service terms, and the brand name or equal reagents, consumables, supplies, etc. equivalent to the reagents listed below.

Catalog #	Description	Annual Total # of Boxes
411071	VITEK® MS CHCA Matrix, 5 vials/box (500ul per vial)	108
411072	VITEK® MS FA, 5 vials/box (500ul vial)	60
410893	VITEK® MS DS slide, 32 slides/box (48 spots/slide)	36
411721	Dessicant, 500 g silica gel	6
418206	chromID® CPS Elite Translucent (20 pk)	600
416172	chromID® CPS Elite Translucent (100 pk)	120
21341	ID-GN VITEK® 2 card (20 cards/box)	175
21342	ID-GP VITEK® 2 card (20 cards/box)	175
21343	ID-YST VITEK® 2 card (20 cards/box)	20
21346	ID-NH VITEK® 2 card (20 cards/box)	20
21347	ID-ANC VITEK® 2 card (20 cards/box)	30
22226	AST-GP67 VITEK® 2 card (20 cards/box)	300
414971	AST-GP74 VITEK® 2 card (20 cards/box)	1
413400	AST-GN69 VITEK® 2 card (20 cards/box)	300
421982	AST-GN95 VITEK® 2 card (20 cards/box)	1
420915	AST-ST02 VITEK® 2 card (20 cards/box)	1
413944	AST-EX06 VITEK® 2 card (20 cards/box)	300
421983	AST-EX08 VITEK® 2 card (20 cards/box)	1
70493	ZYM B x 2	5
70494	ZYM A x 2	5
70542	James 2 AMP	5
412258	AZTREONAM AT 256 US S30	20
412264	BENZYL PENICIL PG 32 US S30	20
537540	CEFTAROLINE CPT 32 US B30	1
412292	CEFTAZIDIME TZ 256 US S30	20
419046	CEFTAZADIME/AVIBACTAM (CZA 256) US S30	1
414445	CEFTOLOZANE/TAZOB C/T256 US (30 PK)	1
412300	CEFTRIAZONE TX 256 US S30	10
412314	CLINDAMYCIN CM 256 US S30	20
412323	DAPTOMYCIN DPC 256 US S30	10
529140	FOSFOMYCIN FM 1024 US B30	10
529148	FOSFOMYCIN FM 1024 US B100	10
513840	MEROPENEM MP 32 US B30	20
421560	Meropenem /Vaborbactam	1
412403	METRONIDAZOLE MZ 256 US S30	25
412433	Pip/Tazo/CON-4 PTC 256 US s30	1
521458	Pip/Tazo/CON-4 PTC 256US F100	1
418731	Telavancin	1
412480	TRIM/SULFA 1/19 TS 32 US S30	20
412486	VANCOMYCIN VA 256 US S30	10
28521	ACETONE FUCHSIN-A, 500 ml	70
29586	IODINE-B (NA), 500 ml	70
29587	CRYSTAL VIOLET-C (NA), 500 ml	70
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