

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Justification and Approval

For

Other Than Full and Open Competition

1. **Contracting Activity:** Department of Veterans Affairs, VISN 04, Louis A. Johnson VA Healthcare System is seeking to replace the sample Inlet on the Beckman Coulter Power Processor Automation system with an up-graded Dynamic Inlet with specialized racks, enabling users to prioritize STAT samples over routine samples, bypass the centrifuge for samples that have been pre-spun and remap tubes to the stockyard for archiving. The source for this equipment is:

Beckman Coulter, INC.
250 South Kraemer Boulevard,
Box 8000, Brea, CA 92822

2. **Nature and/or Description of the Action Being Processed:**

Purchasing of an up-graded Dynamic Inlet for the Beckman Coulter Power Processor.

3. **Description of Supplies/Services Required to Meet the Agency's Needs:**

An Inlet for the Beckman Coulter Power Process which has specialized racks, enabling users to prioritize STAT samples over routine samples, bypass the centrifuge for samples that have been pre-spun and remap tubes to the stockyard for archiving.

4. **Statutory Authority Permitting Other than Full and Open Competition:**

- ☒ (X) (1) Only One Responsible Source and No Other Supplies or Services Will Satisfy Agency Requirements per FAR 6.302-1;
- ☐ () (2) Unusual and Compelling Urgency per FAR 6.302-2;
- ☐ () (3) Industrial Mobilization, Engineering, Developmental or Research Capability or Expert Services per FAR 6.302-3;
- ☐ () (4) International Agreement per FAR 6.302-4
- ☐ () (5) Authorized or Required by Statute FAR 6.302-5;
- ☐ () (6) National Security per FAR 6.302-6;
- ☐ () (7) Public Interest per FAR 6.302-7;

5. **Demonstration that the Contractor's Unique Qualifications or Nature of the Acquisition Requires the Use of the Authority Cited Above (applicability of authority):**

Beckman Coulter is the only manufacturer of the dynamic Inlet, which is compatible with the Beckman power processor. Please see attached documentation from Beckman Coulter.

6. **Description of Efforts Made to ensure that offers are solicited from as many potential sources as deemed practicable:**

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7. **Determination by the Contracting Officer that the Anticipated Cost to the Government will be Fair and Reasonable:**

Please see attached quote from Beckman Coulter.

8. **Description of the Market Research Conducted and the Results, or a Statement of the Reasons Market Research Was Not Conducted:**

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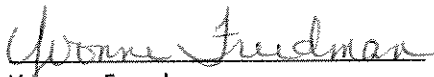
9. **Any Other Facts Supporting the Use of Other than Full and Open Competition:**

10. **Listing of Sources that Expressed, in Writing, an Interest in the Acquisition:**

None

11. **A Statement of the Actions, if any, the Agency May Take to Remove or Overcome any Barriers to Competition before Making subsequent acquisitions for the supplies or services required:**

12. **Requirements Certification:** I certify that the requirement outlined in this justification is a Bona Fide Need of the Department of Veterans Affairs and that the supporting data under my cognizance, which are included in the justification, are accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.


Yvonne Freedman
Administrative Officer, Diagnostic Service
Louis A. Johnson VA Healthcare System

August 8, 2012
Date

13. Approvals in accordance with FAR 6.304 *This part is filled out by Contracting Staff as part of the Justification*

- a. **Contracting Officer's Certification: (required)** I certify that the foregoing justification is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

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Name	Date
Title	
Facility	

- b. **VISN/PCA QA:** I certify that the foregoing justification is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. *This signature may be the VISN NCM/PCM if the Contracting Officer and Contracting supervisor is the same individual.

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Name	Date
Title	
Facility	

- c. **NCM/PCM:** I certify that the foregoing justification meets the requirements for other than full and open competition.

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	Date

SAO : I certify the justification meets requirements for other than full and open competition.

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Jeffrey R. Ryan	Date
Director	
Service Area Office	

- d. **VHA HCA's Review and Approval:** I have reviewed the foregoing justification and find it to be complete accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief and recommend approval (over \$50 million), approve (up to \$50 million) for other than full and open competition.

NA

Frederick Downs, Jr.
Head of Contracting Activity (HCA)
Veterans Health Administration

Date

- e. **VHA Senior Procurement Executive Approval (over \$50 million):** I have reviewed the foregoing justification and find it to be complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief and approve for other than full and open competition.

NA

Jan R. Frye
Deputy Assistant Secretary
Office of Acquisition and Logistics
Senior Procurement Executive (SPE)
Department of Veterans Affairs

Date