DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Justification and Approval

For

Other Than Full and Open Competition

1. **Contracting Activity:** Department of Veterans Affairs, VISN 01, VA Connecticut Healthcare System, *West* Haven Campus, 950 Campbell *Ave., West Haven, CT 06516-2770.*
   Justification for Other Than Full and Open Competition; Purchase Request No. 689-12-1-4829-0021

2. **Nature and/or Description of the Action Being Processed:** Action will be awarded as a new contract; Firm-Fixed Price, Base Year with Four (4), One (1) year Options. Service contract. Base Year: $73,418.04
   Base Year including all four (4) one (1) year Options: $367,090.20

3. **Description of Supplies/Services Required to Meet the Agency's Needs:** Monthly preventive maintenance services to maintain all medical air, medical vacuum, and compressed air for pneumatic controls with all associated dryers, sensors and monitors at the West Haven VA Medical Center per manufactures specs as to monthly, annually, and semi-annually maintenance.

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):** Scales Industrial Technologies, Inc. service technicians are the only authorized personnel trained to service this specific specialized equipment. All the medical air compressors and medical vacuum pumps are manufactured by Scales Compressor and must be services by the authorized trained personnel. This specialized equipment serves all medical operating rooms, medical intensive care suites, surgical intensive care suite, emergency rooms and all patient rooms for suction and medical air. Scales Industrial Technologies, Inc. is the only capable contractor to provide specialized services to this specialized equipment.

6. **Description of Efforts Made to ensure that offers are solicited from as many potential sources as deemed practicable:** Scales Industrial Technologies, Inc. is the only responsible contractor with technicians trained on this Scales highly specialized equipment; only one responsible source. A combined synopsis/solicitation

notice was issued on 04/24/2012 and stating our intent to award a sole source contract in accordance to FAR 6.302-1(a)(2), only one responsible source. As of today 04/26/2012 no responses have been received.

7. **Determination by the Contracting Officer that the Anticipated Cost to the Government will be Fair and Reasonable:** The anticipated cost will be considered fair and reasonable based on historical data and personal knowledge from previous contracts providing the same service at the same location. Prices are compared to contract no. VA241-P-2152. A Firm-Fixed price contract will be issued with Base year plus Four (4) one (1) Year Options. Scales Industrial Technologies, Inc. is currently servicing the highly specialized equipment.

8. **Description of the Market Research Conducted and the Results, or a Statement of the Reasons Market Research Was Not Conducted:** Scales Industrial Technologies, Inc. is the only responsible contractor with trained technicians to provide parts and services to this highly specialized equipment. No market research was conducted because Scales Industrial Technologies, Inc. is the only possible contractor to provide parts and service to the specialized Scales equipment.

9. **Any Other Facts Supporting the Use of Other than Full and Open Competition:** None.

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:** No actions are planned to be taken because Scales Industrial Technologies, Inc. is the only responsible contractor trained on Scales specialized equipment. A Base Year plus Four (4) One (1) Year Options is being sought because it will be more advantageous and cost effective to the Government in lieu of re-competing the requirement every year.

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.

John Meagher

Name
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4/26/12.

Date

13. **Approvals in accordance with FAR 6.304**

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

Mercedes Blanton

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Name

04/26/2012

Date

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b. **One Level above Contracting Officer:** I certify that the foregoing justification is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Jacalyn Trudeau

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c. **Network Quality Assurance/Compliance Review:** I certify that the foregoing justification is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Gary W. Dilk

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