

## DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

## Justification and Approval

For

## Other Than Full and Open Competition

1. **Contracting Activity:** Department of Veterans Affairs, Great Lakes Acquisition Center, 5000 West National Avenue, Bldg. 6, Milwaukee, WI 53295. (578-13-1-944-0006).
2. **Nature and/or Description of the Action Being Processed:** Justification and approval for other than full and open competition for the purchase of Thin Prep Pap Tests and associated processing supplies for the Milwaukee, VA Medical Center. Procurement will proceed on a sole source basis with Hologic Limited Partnership.
3. **Description of Supplies/Services Required to Meet the Agency's Needs:** The Medicine Service of the Milwaukee VA Hospital has a requirement for Thin Prep Pat Tests and associated supplies. The following tests and supplies are required to sample and preserve for the testing of gynecologic and non-gynecologic specimens:

Item No.	Description	Qty
70096-001	Thin Prep Pap Tests (500 tests per kit)	4
I/A	Estimated Shipping and Handling	1

Estimated cost: \$22,750.00

Date required by: January 2013

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):** The Clement J. Zablocki VA Medical Center, Milwaukee, WI, has a requirement for Thin Prep Pat Tests supplies to sample and preserve gynecologic and non-gynecologic specimens for cytopathological examination. These are the only tests and supplies that are compatible with the testing processor currently in place at the Clement J. Zablocki VA Medical Center. These tests and supplies are only manufactured by Hologic Limited Partnership.
6. **Description of Efforts Made to ensure that offers are solicited from as many potential sources as deemed practicable:** As indicated by the end-user and manufacturer of the facility's testing equipment, these tests and supplies are only manufactured by Hologic Limited Partnership.
7. **Determination by the Contracting Officer that the Anticipated Cost to the Government will be Fair and Reasonable:** Procurements for same and similar supplies have been ordered numerous times by NCO 12 for various facilities using the same equipment across VISN 12. Pricing is equal to previous historical procurements of the same supplies.
8. **Description of the Market Research Conducted and the Results, or a Statement of the Reasons Market Research Was Not Conducted:** The Contracting Officer conducted no additional research. The end-users have researched the market and were unable to identify any additional compatible supplies for this requirement. Hologic Limited Partnership is the sole manufacturer of these supplies.
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:** None.

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.

Eileen Dunning  
NAME

11-2-2012  
DATE

Anatomic Pathology supervisor  
TITLE

Clement J. Zablocki VA Medical Center  
FACILITY

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.

Matthew G. Wright  
NAME

2 Nov 2012  
DATE

Contract Specialist

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TITLE

FACILITY

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

for Linda Krissak  
NAME

11-2-2012  
DATE

Network/Program Contract Manager

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