

LIMITED SOURCES JUSTIFICATION

ORDER >\$3,000

FAR PART 8.405-6

2237 Transaction # or Vista Equipment Transaction #: 585-13-1-1037-0025

This acquisition is conducted under the authority of the Multiple Award Schedule Program. The material or service listed in par. 3 below is sole source, therefore, consideration of the number of contractors required by FAR Subpart 8.4 – Federal Supply Schedules, is precluded for the reasons indicated below.

Restricted to the following source: Provide original manufacturer's name for material or contractor's name for service. (If a sole source manufacturer distributes via dealers, ALSO provide dealer information.)

Manufacturer/Contractor: McKesson Automation, Inc.

Manufacturer/Contractor POC & phone number: Wade Bemmels, 612-889-9654

Mfgr/Contractor Address: 500 Cranberry Woods Drive, Cranberry Township, PA 16066-5224

Dealer/Rep address/phone number: N/A

☒ The requested material or service represents the minimum requirements of the Government.

(1) AGENCY AND CONTRACTING ACTIVITY:

Department of Veterans Affairs

Great Lakes Acquisition Center

115 South 84th Street, Milwaukee, WI 53214

NCO: 12

(2) NATURE AND/OR DESCRIPTION OF ACTION BEING APPROVED:

Firm-fixed price, limited source justification for the procurement of an automated medication storage and retrieval system on mandatory Federal Supply Schedule (FSS) 65 II A.

(3) (a) A DESCRIPTION OF THE SUPPLIES OR SERVICES REQUIRED TO MEET THE AGENCY'S NEED:

One automated medication storage and retrieval system and associated software and maintenance for Pharmacy Services at the Oscar G. Johnson VA Medical Center, Iron Mountain, MI.

(b) ESTIMATED DOLLAR VALUE: \$360,096.87

(c) REQUIRED DELIVERY DATE: June 2013

(4) IDENTIFICATION OF THE JUSTIFICATION RATIONALE (SEE FAR 8.405-6), AND IF APPLICABLE, A DEMONSTRATION OF THE PROPOSED CONTRACTOR'S UNIQUE QUALIFICATIONS TO PROVIDE THE REQUIRED SUPPLY OR SERVICE. (CHECK ALL THAT APPLY AND COMPLETE)

☒ Specific characteristics of the material or service that limit the availability to a sole source (unique features, function of the item, etc.). Describe in detail why only this suggested source can furnish the requirements to the exclusion of other sources.

The McKesson MedCarousel is the only automated medication dispensing system on mandatory FSS which utilizes the Connect-Rx Interface. The MedCarousel integrates directly with McKesson's proprietary software (Fulfill-Rx™) increasing efficiencies of receiving, storing and distributions of medication.

☐ A patent, copyright or proprietary data limits competition. The proprietary data is: (If FAR 8.405-6(a)(2)iii before posting. Do not include specific proprietary data. Only mention the type of equipment, procedure, etc. to show that proprietary supplies or services are being procured.)

☐ These are "direct replacements" parts/components for existing equipment.

☒ The material/service must be compatible in all aspects (form, fit and function) with existing systems presently installed/performing. Describe the equipment/function you have now and how the new item/service must coordinate, connect, or interface with the existing system. The Prime Vendor in the VA for pharmaceuticals is McKesson. Currently, pharmacy manually enters each line item into the McKesson software daily. The requested item must be able to communicate directly with the Prime Vendor with our existing interface. Fulfill-Rx software connects the pharmacy to a McKesson distribution center.

☐ The new work is a logical follow-on to an original Federal Supply Schedule order provided that the original order was placed in accordance with the applicable Federal Supply Schedule ordering procedures. The original order must not have been previously issued under sole source or limited source procedures.

☐ An urgent and compelling need exists, and following the ordering procedures would result in unacceptable delays.

(5) DESCRIBE WHY YOU BELIEVE THE ORDER REPRESENTS THE BEST VALUE CONSISTENT WITH FAR 8.4 TO AID THE CONTRACTING OFFICER IN MAKING THIS BEST VALUE DETERMINATION:

The requested automated medication dispensing and retrieval system is the only system which interfaces directly with the pharmaceutical Prime Vendor. This interface allows the system to manage inventory levels, track out of date medications, and reorder supplies on an as needed basis without input from staff. These automated functions would not be possible with another system and would need to be performed manually with healthcare staff. This system frees up FTEE for other functions.

Additionally, the requested items are on FSS contract V797P-4383B. Per FAR Part 8.404(d), pricing has already been determined to be fair and reasonable.

(6) DESCRIBE THE MARKET RESEARCH CONDUCTED AMONG SCHEDULE HOLDERS AND THE RESULTS OR A STATEMENT OF THE REASON MARKET RESEARCH WAS NOT CONDUCTED:

The requestor(s) survey available options on mandatory FSS and were unable to find any other automated medication dispensing systems which had the required interfacing ability with the Prime Vendor.

(7) ANY OTHER FACTS SUPPORTING THE JUSTIFICATION:

None.

(8) A STATEMENT OF THE ACTIONS, IF ANY, THE AGENCY MAY TAKE TO REMOVE OR OVERCOME ANY BARRIERS THAT LED TO THE RESTRICTED CONSIDERATION BEFORE ANY SUBSEQUENT ACQUISITION FOR THE SUPPLIES OR SERVICES IS MADE:

None, due to the proprietary nature of the system.

(9) 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. I understand that processing of this limited sources justification restricts consideration of Federal Supply Schedule contractors to fewer than the number required by FAR Subpart 8.4. *(This signature is the requestor's supervisor, fund control point official, chief of service or someone with responsibility and accountability.)*

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FACILITY

(10) APPROVALS IN ACCORDANCE WITH FAR 8.405-6(d):

a. CONTRACTING OFFICER'S CERTIFICATION (required): I certify that the foregoing justification is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.



CONTRACTING OFFICER'S SIGNATURE

2/28/2013

DATE

Daniel MAHAFFY

NAME AND TITLE

NCO 12

c. NCM/PCM/DESIGNEE: I certify that the foregoing justification is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Christine Hansen

SIGNATURE

3/1/2013.

DATE

CHRISTINE HANSEN
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