

**LIMITED SOURCES JUSTIFICATION**  
**ORDERS \$3,000 - \$150,000**  
**FAR PART 8.405-6(g)**

2237 Transaction # or Vista Equipment Transaction #: [REDACTED]

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: SimplexGrinnell

Manufacturer/Contractor POC & phone number: [REDACTED]

Mfgr/Contractor Address: [REDACTED]

Dealer/Rep address/phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

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

**1. AGENCY AND CONTRACTING ACTIVITY:**

VA Central Iowa Health Care System

VISN: \_\_\_\_\_

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**2. NATURE AND/OR DESCRIPTION OF ACTION BEING APPROVED:**

Remove /Replace the current fire alarm panel in building 2, entryway, and install an updated fire alarm panel (model 4100 ES) in building 2, room 1007. The Fire alarms system must be installed in accordance with current additions of NFPA 101/NFPA 72 and VA Fire Protection Design Manual (currently the 6<sup>th</sup> addition).

**a. A DESCRIPTION OF THE SUPPLIES OR SERVICES REQUIRED TO MEET THE AGENCY'S NEED:**

**b. ESTIMATED DOLLAR VALUE:** [REDACTED]

**c. REQUIRED DELIVERY DATE:** [REDACTED]

3. 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 existing fire detection system was manufactured by Simplex. The installation of this system was awarded competitively. This system has been in use for more than 10 years and has become the standard for fire detection systems throughout the medical center. This standard was established at the time the Simplex system was first procured. The programming of the fire alarm system is essential to the Government's requirements. SimplexGrinnell is the sole proprietor for the fire alarm system and they are the only company that can fix and reprogram the system.

☒ A patent, copyright or proprietary data limits competition. The proprietary data is: SimplexGrinnell currently provides contract services for the VACIHCS fire detection system. SimplexGrinnell hold the design for the current program of the fire detection system. It would be technically infeasible for another vendor to perform this service.

☐ 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. At this time we have a Simplex fire alarm system installed throughout the facility. SimplexGrinnell is the only company allowed to provide technical expert services for the system due to proprietary data.

☐ 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.

The current fire alarm panel in building 2, entry way, was damaged by a broken sprinkler. A temporary internal CPU has been installed in the old fire alarm system. The panel must be replaced and upgraded to meet the current requirements of NFPA 72 and VA directives and the future needs of building 2.

**4. DESCRIBE WHY YOU BELIEVE THE ORDER REPRESENTS THE BEST VALUE CONSISTENT WITH FAR 8.404(d) TO AID THE CONTRACTING OFFICER IN MAKING THIS BEST VALUE DETERMINATION:**

At this time we have a Simplex fire alarm system installed throughout the facility, SimplexGrinnell is the only company allowed to provide technical expert services for the system due to proprietary data. SimplexGrinnell is the sole proprietor for the fire alarm system.

**5. DESCRIBE THE MARKET RESEARCH CONDUCTED AMONG SCHEDULE HOLDERS AND THE RESULTS OR A STATEMENT OF THE REASON MARKET RESEARCH WAS NOT CONDUCTED:**

**6. ANY OTHER FACTS SUPPORTING THE JUSTIFICATION:**

Due to the current condition of the current fire alarm panel and the current requirements of building 2, this panel must be replaced and upgraded to meet current NFPA and VA Directive regulations.

**7. 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:**

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

~~[Signature]~~

~~Life-Safety Manager~~

DATE

## FACILITY

[REDACTED]

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

[REDACTED]

# FACILITY

**SIGNATURE**

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

## FACILITY

NAME AND TITLE