

LIMITED SOURCES JUSTIFICATION

**ORDER >\$3,000
FAR PART 8.405-6**

2237 Transaction # or Vista Equipment Transaction #: 578-13-3-969-0248, 578-13-3-969-0279, 578-13-3-969-0456, and 578-13-3-969-0523

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: GE Medical Systems Information Technologies, Inc.

Manufacturer/Contractor POC & phone number: William Elliot, 301-874-8631

Mfgr/Contractor Address: 9900 W. Innovation Drive, Wauwatosa, WI 53226-4856

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:

This Limited Source Justification is for the procurement of GE patient monitoring equipment for the Edward Hines VA Hospital in Hines, IL. This is a firm-fixed price procurement of health care equipment on mandatory Federal Supply Schedule Contract V797P-2229D.

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

The Edward Hines VA Hospital has a requirement for GE physiologic monitoring equipment and accessories to be used throughout the hospital, including the Emergency Department (ED) and Intensive Care Unit (ICU). This equipment includes GE CARESCAPE Dash 4000, 5000, and V100 Monitors and CapnoFlex LF CO2 Modules.

(b) ESTIMATED DOLLAR VALUE: \$468,609.74

(c) REQUIRED DELIVERY DATE: September 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.

☒ 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 Hines VA Hospital has standardized its physiologic monitoring equipment and infrastructure. GE is the only vendor capable of providing physiologic equipment that can integrate with the hospital's existing GE equipment and infrastructure.

The hospital's physiologic monitoring equipment runs on a dedicated monitoring network. This network is configured to use GE Unity ID network protocols which are proprietary to GE. All bedside and central monitoring stations can view real-time physiologic information from any patient on the monitoring network. The requested GE physiologic monitoring equipment maintains this essential compatibility. This equipment standardization also mitigates the need for multiple monitoring networks, maintenance/downtime, and training costs while enhancing patient safety.

(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 physiologic monitoring equipment is the only equipment compatible with the Edward Hines VA Hospital's existing physiologic patient monitoring infrastructure. If another vendor's products were used, this infrastructure would be need to be replaced at substantial additional cost.

This equipment is on GE Medical Systems Information Technologies, Inc.'s mandatory Federal Supply Schedule (FSS) 65 II A contract V797P-2239D. Per FAR Part 8.404 – Use of Federal Supply Schedules, 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) of this procurement possess the technical expertise to assess and evaluate other sources of physiologic monitoring equipment. The requestor(s) determined that only GE can meet the required compatibility and standardization requirements.

The Contracting Offer has confirmed that GE is the only source on mandatory FSS 65 II A for the requested equipment.

(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 equipment.

(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.)*

Erin Williams 7/31/13
SIGNATURE DATE
Erin Williams Chief Biomedical Engineer Biomedical Engineering
NAME TITLE SERVICE LINE/SECTION
578-Hines
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.

Chad Turner 7/31/2013
CONTRACTING OFFICER'S SIGNATURE DATE
Chad Turner, Contracting Officer
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 7/31/2013
SIGNATURE DATE

CHRISTINE HANSEN
NETWORK CONTRACT MANAGER
NETWORK CONTRACTING OFFICE 12, GREAT LAKES ACQUISITION