

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Justification and Approval

For

Other Than Full and Open Competition

1. Contracting Activity: Department of Veterans Affairs, VISN 23, Central Iowa Medical Center VA Central Iowa (Des Moines) Health Care System, 3600 30th Street, Des Moines, Iowa 50310-5885. Purchase request 636-13-2-3124-0054, will be completed as a sole source, thus requiring a "Justification for Other Than Full and Open Competition."
2. Nature and/or Description of the Action Being Processed: 636-13-2-3124-0054, Veterans Center Furniture has been reviewed, approved, and will be awarded under a new Firm-Fixed Price contract.
3. Description of Supplies/Services Required to Meet the Agency's Needs: VA Central Iowa has a requirement for Veterans Center Furniture, estimated at [REDACTED] with a required delivery date of September 30, 2013. 2 Qty - Voyage open arm lounge chair, natural cherry, select fabric group 6, ultra fabrics, Brisa distressed, 3134 Color: Buckskin, 5 Qty - Voyage open arm lounge chair, natural cherry, select group 12 leather, Catalina leather, color: Chocolate, 1 Qty - Voyage open arm lounge loveseat, natural cherry, select group 6, ultra fabrics, Brisa distressed, Buckskin, 4 Qty - Voyage open arm lounge loveseat, natural cherry, select group 2 leather, Catalina leather, color: Chocolate, 6 Qty - Voyage closed arm lounge chair, natural cherry, select group 6, marharam-textiles, stack, color: Saffron, 4 Qty - Voyage closed arm lounge sofa, natural cherry, select group 2, Catalina leather, color: Chocolate, 3 Qty - Embrace table 32" round veneer, natural cherry, 3 Qty - Wall mount for LCD TV, 1 Qty - Rectangular table with (2) Y-legs, no grommet, 66 w x 30 d, stretcher, paint: dark grey (textured), core laminates, top: brushed sand, top edge: soft grey, 6 Qty - Macro maran gigl armless stacking chair with seat pad, shell: white, tex: pop (B), Vermillion, 1 Qty - Propeller rectangular conference table, 2 segments, 120 w x 60 d, veneer top, ven: American Cherry, edge: propeller wood profile, no cutout (A), no cutout (B), base: aluminum, 3 Qty - Knoll Reff 72" x 78" L-shape desk with corner all wood veneer medium Walnut Y323, includes (1) BBF pedestal with finished wood, (1) FF pedestal with finished wood back, 72" hinged door hutch with tasklight and tackboard, work surfaces have grommets, all locking components in each office to be keyed alike, 1 Qty - Knoll Reff 48" x 24" desk with L supports all wood veneer to be medium Walnut Y323, includes 48 x 24 top and (2) L support bases, 5 Qty - Knoll Reff 30 x 20 2H file/file, all wood veneer to be medium walnut Y323, includes finished back and top, includes counterweights for anti-tipping, 1 Qty - Knoll Reff bookcase, open with 4 shelves, 72" h x 30" w x 24" d, surf: V1 medium walnut FCSM (core), int: wood, left: no drilling, right: no drilling, 1 Qty - Knoll Reff 30" x 20" 2H cabinet, all wood veneer to be medium walnut Y323, includes finished back and top, interior finish to be wood, 2 Qty - 37.25" x 24" x 80" display case with doors, natural cherry, alum/clear insert top, 1 Qty - 36.75" x 20" x 41.38" hospitality cart, natural cherry, wood, 1 Qty - 54.38 x 24.25 credenza w/ 3 doors, natural cherry, wood, no glass ledge, wood door, no slide out equipment rack, 10 Qty - 24 w x 26 d x 38/41.75h mid back swivel, chrome w/ upholstered arm caps, polished aluminum, black casters (std), plastic edge guards, grade 1 leather, leather: chocolate, espresso, 2 Qty - Visual presentation board, matte, natural cherry, bevel edge, no projection screen 40 x 40, grade 1 fabrics, other grade 1 fabrics, 1 Qty - 9 pocket vertical, size: 29w x 38h x 3d, frame finish: W-walnut, back panel: soft white, 1 Qty - Wood framed, wall mounted tackboard, size: 48 x 48, frame style: linear, W-walnut, natural cork, 5 Qty - Encore task

intensive management, adjustable T-arm, adjustable chrome, seat slider, width adjustable arm, polished aluminum base, grade forte leather, forte, F1-89 coffee, 1 Qty-- Encore task intensive management, armless, seat slider, polished aluminum base, grade forte leather, forte, F1-89 coffee

4. Statutory Authority Permitting Other than Full and Open Competition: Authority is provided under FAR 6.302-5, Authorized or Required by Statute, VAAR 819.7007 Sole source awards to service-disabled veteran-owned small business concerns, and Public Law 109-461, The Veterans First Contracting Program. VA is authorized to sole source to SDVOSB or VOSB up to \$5,000,000, without searching for two or more qualified firms.

In addition to being Authorized or Required by Statute, this requirement is urgent due to conditions outside of the Contracting Officer's control. Due to a delay in the signing of a new Vet Center lease, time is of the essence. The Vet Center must vacate their current location NLT 9-30-13, they do not have adequate furnishings to provide service to Veterans, unless this requirement is processed in a timely manner. The requirement could not be processed at an earlier date due to not having final drawings and having no signed lease for the new space. The Vet Center requires that the furniture be delivered by Sept 30, 2013 in order to prevent a gap in services to Veterans.

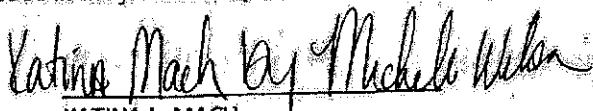
- ☐ (1) Only One Responsible Source and No Other Supplies or Services Will Satisfy Agency Requirements per FAR 6.302-1;
- ☐ (2) Unusual and Compelling Urgency per FAR 6.302-2;
- ☐ (3) Industrial Mobilization, Engineering, Developmental or Research Capability or Expert Services per FAR 6.302-3;
- ☐ (4) 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): Authority is provided under FAR 6.302-5 Authorized or Required by Statute, VAAR 819.7007 Sole source awards to service-disabled veteran-owned small business concerns and Public Law 109-461, The Veterans First Contracting Program.

6.302-5 Authorized or Required by Statute. (a) Authority. (1) Citations: 10 U.S.C. 2304(c)(5) or 41 U.S.C. 253(c)(5). (2) Full and open competition need not be provided for when (i) A statute expressly authorizes or requires that the acquisition be made through another agency or from a specified source. The specified source for this action is Public Law 109-461, The Veterans First Contracting Program.

819.7007 Sole source awards to service-disabled veteran-owned small business concerns. (a) A contracting officer may award contracts to SDVOSB concerns on a sole source basis provided: (1) The anticipated award price of the contract (including options) will not exceed \$5 million; (2) The requirement is synopsisized in accordance with FAR part 5; (3) The SDVOSB concern has been determined to be a responsible contractor with respect to performance; and (4) Award can be made at a fair and reasonable price. (b) The contracting officer's determination whether to make a sole source award is a business decision wholly within the discretion of the contracting officer. A determination that only one SDVOSB concern is available to meet the requirement is not required. (c) When conducting a SDVOSB sole source acquisition, the contracting officer shall ensure businesses are registered and verified as eligible in the VIP database prior to making an award.

6. Description of Efforts Made to ensure that offers are solicited from as many potential sources as deemed practicable: VAAR 819.7007 Sole source awards to service-disabled veteran-owned small business concerns. (b) The contracting officer's determination whether to make a sole source award is a business decision wholly within the discretion of the contracting officer. A determination that only one SDVOSB concern is available to meet the requirement is not required. (c) When conducting a SDVOSB sole source acquisition, the contracting officer shall ensure businesses are registered and verified as eligible in the VIP database prior to making an award.
7. Determination by the Contracting Officer that the Anticipated Cost to the Government will be Fair and Reasonable: In accordance with FAR 13.106-3 - Award and Documentation, the Contracting Officer has deemed the price to the government to be fair and reasonable based on comparison of the proposed price with prices found reasonable on previous purchases, current price lists, catalogs, or advertisements, a comparison with similar items in a related industry, and the Contracting Officer's personal knowledge of the item being purchased.
8. Description of the Market Research Conducted and the Results, or a Statement of the Reasons Market Research Was Not Conducted: The Contracting Officer reviewed proposed prices found reasonable on previous purchases and also conducted market research on GSA. The results of the market research validate pricing submitted for this requirement. Market research shows that the pricing submitted by Aegis Business Solutions, LLC are offered well below current price lists and are below or equal to prices that have been deemed fair and reasonable on previous purchases.
9. Any Other Facts Supporting the Use of Other than Full and Open Competition: Authority is provided under FAR 6.302-5 Authorized or Required by Statute, VAAR 819.7007 Sole source awards to service-disabled veteran-owned small business concerns and Public Law 109-461, The Veterans First Contracting Program.
10. Listing of Sources that Expressed, in Writing, an Interest in the Acquisition: See Section 5 above.
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: All possible actions will be taken to ensure maximum competition for future actions. Public Law 109-461 will be utilized to the maximum extent practicable to ensure compliance with laws and ensure maximum SDVOSB and VOSB participation in VA acquisitions.
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.




KATINA L. MACH
Team Lead/Supervisory Social Worker
Des Moines Vet Center

8-9-2013
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.


DANIEL TORRENCE
Contracting Officer
NCO 23, Central Iowa

8-9-2013
Date

- b. NCM/PCM (Required \$3K and above): I certify the justification meets requirements for other than full and open competition and I approve this justification for other than full and open competition.


MICHAEL D. CASPER
Construction Product Line Manager, NCO 23

8-9-2013
Date