

Single Source Justification

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Justification for Single Source Awards IAW [FAR 13.106-1](#)
For
Over Micro-Purchase Threshold but Not Exceeding the SAT (\$250K)

Acquisition Plan Action ID: 36C263-25-AP-2561

1. **Contracting Activity:** Department of Veterans Affairs, Network 23 Contracting Office, 111 South 18th Plaza – Ste. C53/C62. Omaha, NE 68105
Requiring Activity: Department of Veterans Affairs, Vision 23, Hot Springs VA Medical Center, 500 North 5th Street, Hot Springs, SD 57747

2. **Brief Description of Supplies/ Services required and the intended use/Estimated Amount:** The requirement is a construction project with a need for a brand name sole-source item. The project is 568A4-21-208, titled DOM Renovation for Semiprivate Rooms at the Hot Springs VA Medical Center which will be renovating Domiciliary Building 8 to construct private patient rooms. Part of this project consists of removal and replacement of existing Johnson Controls fire alarm panel and fire alarm devices in Building 8. The existing fire alarm system is a Johnson Controls system. The new fire alarm system in Building 8 will be integrated with the existing Johnson Controls fire alarm system. This will be a new firm-fixed price contract. The estimated cost for the fire alarm replacement portion of this contract is [REDACTED]
This contract would be part of the general contractor bid for the entire project and would have a period of performance of 600 days.

3. **Unique characteristics that limit availability to only one source, with the reason no other supplies or services can be used:**
Johnson Controls would provide the fire alarm system for Building 8. The fire alarm replacement consists of the replacement of an existing Johnson Controls fire alarm panel and Johnson Controls fire alarm devices including smoke detectors, fire detectors, horns and strobes. The project will also require integration with the Johnson Controls facility wide system. Only Johnson Controls fire alarm equipment is compatible with the existing fire alarm system.
The Johnson Controls fire alarm system is highly specialized as they include manufacturer propriety programs that will not seamlessly communicate with other manufacturers' equipment. The building 8 fire alarm system must communicate with the main fire alarm system located in the fire station, to provide full protection in case of a fire. If the fire alarm system in building 8 does not communicate with the main

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fire alarm panel in the Fire Station patients in building 8 will be at risk. Johnson Controls is the only firm capable of servicing the fire alarm system at Hot Springs.

- 4. Description of market research conducted and results or statement why it was not conducted:** Market research was conducted prior to selecting this manufacturer as the facilities standard base. New components must tie into an existing, operational system. If a device other than Johnson Controls is found to have the capability to communicate and maintain the integrity of the entire system, it will be considered acceptable. None to date is known or shown to be available.
- 5. Contracting Officer's Certification:** *Purchase is approved in accordance with FAR13.106-1(b). I certify that the foregoing justification is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.*

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