

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: 36C252-AP-1869

- 1. Contracting Activity:** Department of Veterans Affairs, VISN 12, Tomah Medical Center

NCO 12 Construction Team 2237# 676-21-2-6937-0001

- 2. Brief Description of Supplies/ Services required and the intended use/Estimated Amount:**

The facility is requesting manufacturer specific variable frequency drives (VFD's). There will be a total of 19 VFD's purchased and installed on the project, and these drives control fan and pump speeds on mechanical equipment. Overall, the total cost of the material procurement (19 VFD's) is estimated at approximately \$ 35,000.00 USD. Pricing for the VFD's was found at <https://www.galco.com/shop/ACH580-ABB-HVAC-Drives-HVAC-Drives>

- 3. Unique characteristics that limit availability to only one source, with the reason no other supplies or services can be used:**

By limiting the VFD's to one manufacturer does not limit the material procurement to one source. ABB drives are sold by numerous vendors like: GSA Advantage, Central State Supply, Gexpro, EMS Industrial, and Power/Mation. Ultimately, this action **will not** limit availability to only one source or one bidding general contractor. Regardless, the facility has started to standardize their VFD's to ABB to limit on the shelf stock, and to foster ease of use and simplify troubleshooting for their HVAC technicians.

- 4. Description of market research conducted and results or statement why it was not conducted:**

The COR has found several authorized ABB drive distributors within the local area via the manufacturer's website – ABB does not sell directly to the public, they sell their product through authorized vendors.

- 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.*

Kristi Kluck
Contracting Officer

Date