Federal Supply Schedule (FSS) Sole Source Justification (SSJ)
Above the Simplified Acquisition Threshold (SAT)

Program / Project: Draft Commander 3000
Contracting Activity: 20 CONS/PKA
Estimated Cost: [redacted]

IAW GSAR 538.7104-3, orders placed or BPAs established against FSS contracts are exempt from the requirements in FAR part 6. However, an ordering activity must justify its action when awarding on a sole source basis. This includes items peculiar to one manufacturer if the order (or FSS BPA established) is placed on a sole source basis IAW GSAR 538.7104-4(b)(2)(ii).

Coordination & Approvals	
Date	Legal Review *[Name]* *[Office Symbol / Phone Number]*

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1. Statutory Exception (Select One)

- ☐ GSAR 538.7104-3(b)(i) The need is of such unusual urgency that following the procedures would result in unacceptable delays in fulfilling that need;
- ☒ GSAR 538.7104-3(b) (ii) Only one source is capable of providing the products, services, or solution required at the level of quality required because the products, services, or solutions are unique or highly specialized;
- ☐ GSAR 538.7104-3(b) (iii) The order should be issued on a sole source basis in the interest of economy and efficiency because it is a logical follow-on to an FSS order already issued on a competitive basis;
- ☐ GSAR 538.7104-3(b) (iv) It is necessary to place the order with a particular FSS contractor to satisfy a minimum guarantee established in the FSS BPA; or
- ☐ GSAR 538.7104-3(b) (v) A law expressly authorizes or requires that the purchase be made from a specified source.

2. Description of supplies/services required to meet agency needs

The Fire & Emergency Services Flight is required to conduct annual service and flow tests on all firefighting vehicles in accordance with NFPA 1911. At present, these tests must be performed off-site in Sumter County, necessitating the removal of critical assets from the installation. The current process involves connecting the apparatus under test to another vehicle, which places significant wear and tear on the firefighting systems and results in substantial water waste. The acquisition of a new testing unit would allow the department to conduct pump tests on-site in full compliance with NFPA 1911 requirements

3. Rational supporting the exception used.

The 20th Civil Engineering Squadron (CES/CEF) requires a Draft Commander 3000 (fire pump testing unit). This unit's capability to recycle water during testing would eliminate unnecessary waste, reduce excessive strain on additional vehicles, and ensure that other response apparatus remain in service and mission-ready while tests are conducted. Without acquisition of this asset, the

flight will be forced to continue relying on inefficient and wasteful methods to conduct annual service and flow tests on its emergency response vehicles. This practice places unnecessary stress on the firefighting systems of the aging fleet, accelerating deterioration and further reducing long-term reliability.

The Draft Commander 3000 is a highly specialized system engineered exclusively by Weis Fire & Safety. It is the only mobile unit capable of performing a true NFPA 1911-compliant fire pump service test from draft utilizing a patented closed-loop water recycling system. This proprietary technology is the only way the Government can conduct mandatory high-volume draft testing on-station without wasting thousands of gallons of potable water or using dirty static water sources that damage apparatus pumps.

Market research was conducted via a Sources Sought notice on SAM, resulting in a quote of [redacted] *from W S Darley & Co. Another Sources Sought was posted on GSA, resulting in only one response from the Original Equipment Manufacturer, Weis Fire & Safety Equipment LLC for* [redacted]*. After reviewing historical data, Weis Fire & Safety Equipment LLC was previously awarded contract FA480122P0031 for* [redacted] *and contract FA441820P0052 for* [redacted]*.*

DAFI 32-2001: The primary Air Force regulation for Fire & Emergency Services. It mandates that all in-

Note: See GSAR 538.7104-3(b)(3) for publication requirements.