DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Justification for Single Source Awards IAW FAR 13.106-1
For
Over Micro-Purchase Threshold but Not Exceeding the Simplified Acquisition Threshold

Acquisition Plan Action ID: 36C260-26-AP-3397

1. **Contracting Activity:** Department of Veterans Affairs, Veterans Healthcare Administration, Regional Procurement Office West, Network Contracting Office 20, 1601 E. Fourth Plain Boulevard, Vancouver, WA 98661 on behalf of Veterans Integrated Service Network 20, Boise VA Medical Center, Research Service (151), 500 Fort Street, Boise, ID 83702-4501. Purchase Request #: 531-26-4-199-0100.

2. **Brief Description of Supplies/ Services required and the intended use/Estimated Amount:** Service and preventative maintenance package for Research Service's Histology/Pathology/Imaging Core's (HPIC) instruments manufactured by Epredia (Richard-Allan). This requirement has an estimated cost of $16,506.00 for one year of service.

3. **Unique characteristics that limit availability to only one source, with the reason no other supplies or services can be used:** Epredia/Richard-Allan LLC only recognizes its factory trained certified service engineers to maintain, repair, and move the instruments located at the Boise VA Medical Center to maintain the warranties. Epredia/Richard-Allan LLC is the manufacturer, as well as the exclusive OEM Parts supplier of its anatomical pathology equipment. Since this is a proprietary service requirement and in accordance with RFO 6.103-1, this will be sole sourced to the manufacturer Epredia/Richard-Allan.
4. **Description of market research conducted and results or statement why it was not conducted:** VA and existing government contracts were reviewed; however, none were found that could fulfill this requirement. Internet searches were conducted to confirm the parent-company relationship of Epredia and Richard-Allan and search for other sources capable of performing this service although none were identified. The manufacturer, Epredia, also confirmed that it only certifies Epredia-employed service technicians to perform services on Epredia manufactured instruments in the

United States. A sole source letter dated 04/24/2026 has been uploaded into the contract file.

5. **Contracting Officer's Certification:** *Purchase is approved in accordance with FAR 13.106-1(b). I certify that the foregoing justification is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.*

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