Control No.

JUSTIFICATION REVIEW DOCUMENT FOR OTHER THAN FULL AND OPEN COMPETITION CONTROL NO.		
PROJECT/EQUIPMENT: PN 096278 FY26 MCA Electrical Switching Station-North project at Watervliet Arsenal (WVA), New York – Various Square D Electrical Equipment.		
AUTHORITY: 10 U.S.C. § 2304(c)(1)		AMOUNT: $
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JUSTIFICATION AND APPROVAL REVIEW

FOR OTHER THAN FULL AND OPEN COMPETITION

Various Square D Electrical Equipment
PN 096278 FY26 MCA Electrical Switching Station-North
Watervliet Arsenal (WVA), New York.

07 August 2025

JUSTIFICATION AND APPROVAL
FOR OTHER THAN FULL AND OPEN COMPETITION

Various Square D Electrical Equipment
PN 096278 FY26 MCA Electrical Switching Station-North
Contract No. TBD

1. CONTRACTING ACTIVITY:

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), New York District (NAN), Contracting (CT), 26 Federal Plaza, New York, NY 10278.

2. DESCRIPTION OF ACTION:

This Justification and Approval (J&A) supports the use of brand name components in an upcoming construction project. The government will not purchase the components directly but rather will require that offerors include sole sourced equipment and installation in proposals submitted in response to a best value trade off solicitation that will lead to the award of a new firm fixed-price (FFP) construction contract. USACE is responsible for the acquisition and administration of the construction for this project at Watervliet Arsenal, NY. Funding for this acquisition will be via Military Construction, Army.

3. DESCRIPTION OF SUPPLIES/SERVICES:

Procure and install Schneider Square D brand electrical equipment such as 120V-600V: panelboards, dry-type transformer, ATS, and disconnects as per plans and specifications which will allow it to match other facilities on campus.

4. AUTHORITY CITED:

10 U.S.C. § 2304(c)(1), Only One Responsible Source and No Other Supplies or Services Will Satisfy Agency Requirements, as implemented by FAR 6.302-1(c), Application for Brand Name Descriptions. In accordance with FAR 6.302-1(c), the Contracting Officer will specify that all offerors be required to procure an item peculiar to one supplier (brand-name item).

5. REASON FOR AUTHORITY CITED:

A. Background:

Watervliet Arsenal uses Schneider Square D brand electrical equipment on their major projects which allows consistency across the post for operations and maintenance. All new projects with major electrical equipment will utilize the same. This action will allow it to match their other facilities on campus and would apply to all new 120V-600V: panelboards, dry-type transformer, ATS, and disconnects for this project.

B. Justification:

The Watervliet Arsenal has standardized on the Schneider Square D brand for new 120V - 600V electrical equipment such as: panelboards, dry-type transformers, automatic transfer switches, and disconnects. This brand has consistently demonstrated superior quality and performance in the various applications at the Arsenal. Additionally, using equipment from different brands could result in significant maintenance challenges, leading to potential downtime and increased maintenance costs. Given the critical nature of the equipment's role in this North Switch Station project, it is important to select a brand

that meets the highest standards of quality and performance.

C. Alternatives:

No viable alternatives will be acceptable to meet the mission requirements and obtain the same benefit as utilizing Square D equipment.

D. Impact:

If the J&A is not approved and different equipment is installed potential operational coordination issues between electronic components may occur as well as additional training based on the new brand equipment. Standardizing these systems leads to increased resiliency and this project's goal is to provide complete electric redundancy at WVA. These electrical components are part of the entire system.

6. EFFORTS TO OBTAIN COMPETITION:

The brand name product has been published as required by FAR 5.201, a Notice of Intent (NOI) to determine sources for this system was synopsized on 11 April 2025. No responses were received for the Notice of Intent. The brand name justification and approval will be posted with the solicitation.

7. ACTIONS TO INCREASE COMPETITION:

This J&A supports a discrete requirement that will end when the project is complete. Therefore, there are no planned actions to increase competition for the requirement covered by this J&A.

8. MARKET RESEARCH:

A Notice of Intent (NOI) to determine sources for this system was synopsized on 11 April 2025. The NOI was published for the required 15 days in SAM.gov. There were no responses to the NOI. Additional research was not done besides the NOI.

9. INTERESTED SOURCES:

There were no responses to the NOI posting.

10. OTHER FACTS:

All pertinent facts are included above.

11. TECHNICAL CERTIFICATION:

"I certify that the supporting data under my cognizance which are included in the justification and approval are accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge."

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Name: Jeffery Friese Date:

Title: Technical Manager

12. REQUIREMENTS CERTIFICATION:

"I certify that the supporting data under my cognizance which are included in the justification and approval are accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge."

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Name: Evan Sick Date:

Title: Project Manager

13. FAIR AND REASONABLE COST DETERMINATION:

"I hereby determine that the anticipated cost or price to the Government for this contract action will be fair and reasonable. This determination is based on the Independent Government Cost Estimate, the items being procured, and historical data."

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Name: Francis Cashman Date:

Title: Contracting Officer

14. CONTRACTING OFFICER CERTIFICATION:

"I certify that this J&A is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief."

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Name: Francis Cashman Date:

Title: Contracting Officer

APPROVAL

Based on the foregoing justification, I hereby approve the brand name requirement for Square D electrical equipment for PN 096278 FY26 MCA Electrical Switching Station-North estimated at $ in support of the as authorized by 10 U.S.C. § 2304(c)(1), Only One Responsible Source and No Other Supplies or Services Will Satisfy Agency Requirements, and as implemented by FAR 6.302-1(c), Application for Brand Name Descriptions, subject to availability of funds and provided that the product herein described has otherwise been authorized for this acquisition.

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Title: Contracting Officer