JUSTIFICATION FOR SOLE SOURCE
(Simplified Procedures - MPT to ≤ SAT)

Purchase Request/Document number: 1301381747_____

The supplies or services described herein are being solicited on a sole source basis and competition is precluded in accordance with *FAR 12.102(a)* for reasons indicated below. There are no substitutes available for the supplies or services.

Restricted to the following source.

☐ **Service:**

Contractor:	
Cage Code:	

☒ **Supply:**

Original Manufacturer Name:	Gartner, Inc
Contractor (if diff from above):	
Cage Code:	0EFU3

Description of the supplies or services required, the estimated price/cost, and required delivery date or period of performance.

The products required are the Core IT Research Advisor for Higher Education and Campus Access provided by the Gartner databases for the period of performance of 01 October 2026 through 30 September 2027 with an estimated cost of [redacted] The access requested represents the minimum requirements of the government.

Description of Supply	Quantity	Period of Performance	Estimated Price
Gartner Core IT Research Advisor	1	01 October 2026 – 30 September 2027	[redacted]
Gartner Core IT Research for Higher Education – Campus Access	1	01 October 2026 – 30 September 2027	
Total			

As seen in the table above, the product required is Core IT Research Advisor product provided by Gartner, Inc. for the period of performance of 01 October 2026 through 30 September 2027, with an estimated cost of [redacted] for one (1) user. The access requested represents the minimum requirements of the government.

Describe in detail why only this source(s) can furnish the requirements to the exclusion of other sources.

☒ *The supplies or services must be compatible in all aspects (form, fit and function) with existing systems presently installed/performing. Describe the equipment/function you have now and how the new*

item/service must coordinate, connect, or interface with the existing system.

The product provides research and analytical reference material to the USNA Information Technology Service Division (ITSD) via web-based access to licensed users. The access allows licensed users to access Gartner analytical reference documentation to include a range of written reports such as published research, alters, news articles and hot client issues including recent Student Information Systems (SIS) and Learning Management System (LMS) as well as Zero Trust and Artificial Intelligence research, all of which are considered essential to USNA's higher education mission needs. Gartner is the only known source with sufficient breadth and depth of research and government-specific insight to meet USNA needs. USNA currently receives access from Gartner, Inc. under contract N0018925F0508 which ends 30 September 2026. To allow USNA's licensed users uninterrupted access to the analytical reference products, it is imperative that there is no delay in availability.

Other information to support a sole source action:

Gartner, Inc. is the only company whose services will satisfy USNA's installation, integration and performance requirements with the absolute minimum impact on current USNA operations.

TECHNICAL/REQUIREMENTS CERTIFICATION:

I CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION PROVIDED ABOVE IS COMPLETE AND ACCURATE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE. I UNDERSTAND THAT THE PROCESSING OF THIS SOLE SOURCE JUSTIFICATION PRECLUDES THE USE OF FULL AND OPEN COMPETITION.

Signature

Date

Requiring Activity

I HEREBY DETERMINE THAT THE CIRCUMSTANCES JUSTIFYING ONLY ONE SOURCE IS REASONABLY AVAILABLE APPLIES TO THE CONTRACT ACTION.

Contracting Officer Signature Date

NAVSUP Fleet Logistics Center, Norfolk Contracting Department