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J&A Number: [REDACTED]

**JUSTIFICATION AND APPROVAL
 FOR USE OF OTHER THAN FULL AND OPEN COMPETITION**

1. Contracting Activity

Naval Air Warfare Center Training Systems Division (NAWC-TSD) Orlando, FL

2. Description of the Action Being Approved

This justification and approval authorizes a portion of the Tactical Combat Training System (TCTS) Increment II (Inc II) acquisition to be specified as an item peculiar to one manufacturer. The portion of the TCTS Inc II acquisition peculiar to one manufacturer is the required use of the First Ann Arbor Corporation's (FAAC) weapons simulator. This estimated value of this J&A is [REDACTED].

3. Description of Supplies/Services

The TCTS Inc II acquisition, conducted pursuant to full and open competition, involves the design, fabrication, test, and installation of the TCTS Inc II training technology. The TCTS Inc II will provide an improved environment for air combat training with requirements to provide rangeless air combat training with secure air-to-air and air-to-ground data link. TCTS Inc II will provide encryption, an enhanced threat environment, platform interfaces, including an internal mount and rack mounted subsystem capability, with applications for several Type Model Series aircraft. The TCTS Inc II Statement of Work (SOW) requires FAAC's real-time weapons simulation and databases to support the integration of TCTS Inc. II systems (PS and GS) Weapons Simulation functions.

The estimated total value of the direct source subcontracts are [REDACTED] and will be funded as set forth in the table below.

Estimated Dollar Value in Millions

	FY 18	FY 19	FY 20	FY 21	Total
RDT&E	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]			[REDACTED]
Total	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]			[REDACTED]

4. Statutory Authority Permitting Other Than Full and Open Competition

10 U.S.C. 2304(c)(1), Only one responsible source and no other supplies or services will satisfy agency requirements.

5. Rationale Justifying Use of Cited Statutory Authority.

FAAC is the only vendor that develops real-time weapons simulation used in Navy/Marine Corps aircraft and simulators that contain the respective interfaces and common systems components, specifically regarding the TCTS Inc II lead aircraft F/A18-E/F, EA-18G, and the 5th Generation F-35 Joint Strike Fighter aircraft. Additionally, FAAC is the only known vendor that has access to the respective weapons simulation databases required to support TCTS Inc II.

6. Description of Efforts Made to Solicit Offers from as Many Offerors as Practicable.

The proposed intent to direct source for the weapon simulator portion was synopsised with the original TCTS Inc. III competitive requirement on the FEDBIZOPS website on 9 January 2013. In addition, efforts to promote a competitive contract approach for the TCTS Inc II requirement as a whole have included periodic postings in FEDBIZOPS, release of the TCTS Inc II System specification (and associated updates); periodic briefings at Procurement Administrative Lead Time (PALT) meetings and Government sponsored Technical Interchange Meetings. In addition, a sources sought synopsis, draft solicitation and other data essential to proposal formulation was made available via the Internet prior to release of a formal Request for Proposal. No responses were received regarding the direct source portion of the requirement. No additional market research was conducted because it is not practicable, for the reasons discussed in paragraph 5 above, for any company other than those identified herein to provide the required services. Any inquiries as a result of this notice will be given full consideration prior to award.

7. Determination of Fair and Reasonable Cost

In accordance with FAR 15.402, the Procuring Contracting Officer (PCO) shall ensure that all supplies and services provided under the authority of this J&A are procured at a fair and reasonable price. Based on historical cost data and the independent estimate completed by the government, the PCO has adequate information and background to determine fair and reasonable costs.

8. Actions to Remove Barriers to Future Competition

To maximize competition on the overall TCTS Inc II program, the Government coordinated the weapon simulator requirement with FAAC such that use of their respective weapon simulator would be made available to all prospective offerors for purposes of verifying TCTS Inc II functionality and integration. Required use of FAAC weapon simulator is a relatively minor portion of an otherwise unrestricted competitive acquisition. For the short duration that the weapon simulator will be required, it would be cost prohibitive to invest in other sources for the development of a weapon simulator as it is estimated that a similar weapon simulator would take several years and millions of dollars to develop.