JUSTIFICATION FOR OTHER THAN FULL AND OPEN COMPETITION

Upon the basis of the following justification, I as Contracting Officer hereby approve use of the other than Full and Open competition for the proposed contractual action pursuant to the authority of 10 USC 2304(c)(1), only one responsible source and no other supplier or servicing activity will satisfy agency requirements, as implemented by FAR 6.302-1.

1. Contracting Activity

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2. Description of the Action Being Approved

This justification covers the procurement of SirsiDynix library cataloging software on a sole source basis in accordance with FAR 13, simplified acquisition procedures. This justification for other than full and open competition will be posted at the Government wide Point of Entry.

3. Description of Supplies/Services

The Dudley Knox Library uses SirsiDynix Unicorn software to manage its classified and unclassified library catalogues.

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4. Statutory Authority Permitting Sole Source

FAR 6.302 -- Circumstances Permitting Other Than Full and Open Competition.

- 6.302-1 -- Only One Responsible Source and No Other Supplies or Services Will Satisfy Agency Requirements.

5. Rational Justifying Use of Cited Statutory Authority

The SirsiDynix catalog and associated applications are proprietary software. Support of the software requires SirsiDynix trained technicians and programmers. No other vendor has knowledge of SirsiDynix's programs and configurations. Due to SirsiDynix's proprietorship, only SirsiDynix representatives may provide support of SirsiDynix products. Only SirsiDynix is able to sell and maintain the software, as well as the only vendor that can release enhancements or updates to the software. The cost of switching library catalog providers would exceed the benefits to the government at this time.

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

No efforts were made to solicit offers from any vendor other than SirsiDynix. Hosted Webscale Management Systems and Koha Open Source alternatives are being evaluated for possible future implementation. At this time, the library does not have the IT support staff to BETA test an open source solution.

7. Determination of Fair and Reasonable Cost

Costs will be determined fair and reasonable at time of award by the Contracting Officer and based on previous contracts and similar contracting efforts.

8. Market Research

Market research identified some Webscale Management Systems or Koha Open Source as possible future alternative to SirsiDynix. Currently, there is not adequate staff to transition to any new hosted system, or support an Open Source catalog solution.

9. Other Facts Supporting Use of Other Than Full and Open Competition

None.

10. Actions to Remove Barriers to Future Competition

Continued assessment of hosted Webscale Management Systems and open source solutions will be conducted.

CERTIFICATIONS AND APPROVAL

TECHNICAL/REQUIREMENTS CERTIFICATION

I certify that the facts and representations under my cognizance which are included in this Justification and its supporting acquisition planning documents, except as noted herein, are complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Technical and Requirements Cognizance:

[redacted]

CONTRACTING OFFICER CERTIFICATION

I certify that this Justification is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. To the extent that the J&A/LSJ value is between [redacted], the Contracting Officer's signature below also represents approval of the J&A/LSJ.

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