

SOLE SOURCE JUSTIFICATION AND APPROVAL FOR ACQUISITION UNDER THE SIMPLIFIED ACQUISITION THRESHOLD

1. Contracting Agency and Activity. The Department of the Interior, United States Geological Survey, National Acquisition Branch, Reston, VA, plans to contract on a sole source basis. This document sets forth the justification and approval as required by FAR 13.106-1(b)(1) "Only One Source Reasonably Available"

2. Nature of Action Being Approved. This requirement is for a modification to G16PX01107 awarded to The Saenz Group to increase the ceiling of the award in the amount of \$200.00. This additional ceiling is necessary to cover unforeseen alterations with the installation of the No Smoking Signs that have resulted from bad placement of one (1) sign.

3. Description of Supplies or Services. The USGS requires the contractor to remove the one post and reinstall it in another location. The alteration is necessary to allow tenants to be able to see the sign without obstruction from a tree.

4. Estimated Dollar Value. The current ceiling is \$5,395.00. The revised ceiling, with the addition of \$200.00, is \$5,595.00

5. Statutory Authority. The proposed action may be awarded on a sole source basis in accordance with: FAR 13.106-1(b)(1) "Only One Source Reasonably Available"

6. Rationale Supporting Use of Citation in No. 5.

This justification is a request to add funding to cover unforeseen alterations with the installation of the No Smoking Signs that have resulted from bad placement of one (1) sign. During the planning process the focus was to install all signs in the best location for the campus. The purpose for moving the one sign is because after it was installed we realized it was not the best place for the sign. The sign needs to be moved over to another location to allow the tenants to be able to see the sign. The Saenz Group was the awarded contractor and is familiar with both the problem and the solution that needs to be addressed. As this increase is a minimal amount, this increase is in the best interest of the Government.

7. Other Information.

8. The Efforts to Identify Additional Sources Including the Market Research Conducted. The Government sought competition for the original purchase request/award for this service (40275872/G16PX01107).

9. Future Plans to Permit Competition. This award, G16PX01107, is for construction services. More site survey will be conducted prior to future projects of this scope before it is competed.

10. Recommendation Program Office

Based on the above, I recommend this acquisition be conducted on a sole source basis and certify that the above statements are true and correct.

10/4/2016

X Mahela Sanguinetti

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Date

11. Certifications from the Contracting Officer

- a. The cost to the Government will be fair and reasonable based on the time and cost it would take to compete this effort while we have the current contractor already in place.
- b. This justification is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Nicole Johnson, Contract Specialist

Date

Karen Phillips, Contracting Officer

Date