

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

**Justification for Single Source (Brand-Name) Awards IAW [FAR 13.106-1](#)
For
Over Micro-Purchase Threshold but Not Exceeding the SAT (\$250K)**

Acquisition Plan Action ID: 36C250-23-AP-1302

- 1. Contracting Activity:** Department of Veterans Affairs, VISN 10, Battle Creek VA Medical Center, 5500 Armstrong Road, Battle Creek, MI 49037/Network Contracting Office 10, Battle Creek VA Medical Center, 5500 Armstrong Road, Battle Creek, MI 49037



- 2. Brief Description of Supplies/ Services required and the intended use/Estimated Amount:** One (1) John Deere 3039R compact utility tractor with options and accessories, and one (1) John Deere 366 front mounted blade.



- 3. Unique characteristics that limit availability to only one source, with the reason no other supplies or services can be used:** All of the tractors and mowers in the Battle Creek VAMC's Grounds Maintenance inventory are currently John Deere brand. Maintaining a single brand inventory aids in saving on attachments, parts, and training of personnel. John Deere also has numerous local dealerships for servicing of equipment which the Battle Creek VAMC utilizes on a frequent basis.
- 4. Description of market research conducted and results or statement why it was not conducted:** Market research was conducted through a local dealer, search of VA Vendor Information Pages (VIP), SBA VetCert, SBA Dynamic Small Business Search (DSBS), and a sources sought notice published on SAM.gov Contract Opportunities. The results of the market research indicate there are sufficient small businesses capable of providing the exact John Deere brand equipment to justify setting aside this procurement 100% for small business.
- 5. Contracting Officer's Certification:** *Purchase is approved in accordance with FAR13.106-1(b). I certify that the foregoing justification is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.*

Jeffrey P. Rozema
Contracting Officer

Date