

JUSTIFICATION FOR SOLE SOURCE ACQUISITION
VALUES \$3,001 - \$100,000

RECOMMENDATION AND DETERMINATION TO SOLICIT FROM ONE
SOURCE -- PR 4200440383

NASA, John F. Kennedy Space Center, will negotiate with Southern Research, Inc. for thermophysical property determination of NASA refractory concrete. ~~The total estimated~~
~~turnaround time is the end of September~~ the estimated turnaround time is the end of September 2012.

Pursuant to FAR 13.106-1(b) and 13.106-3(b)(3)(i), the acquisition of referenced Southern Research, Inc. are determined to be available from only one source.

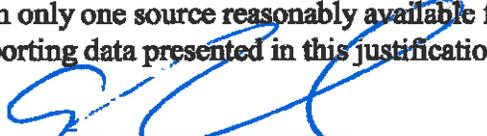
Competition is impractical for the following reasons:

An industry survey was conducted on the week of June 11, 2012 in an effort to locate potential vendors for procurement of services. The vendors were given a copy of the statement of work and asked to comment or provide a price quote based on their current capabilities for manpower, equipment and expertise in the area of thermophysical property determination. The vendors surveyed included in random order:

1. R.J Jenkins
2. Orton Ceramics
3. Refractory Inspection Services
4. Southern Research, Inc.
5. Thermophysical Properties Research Laboratory, Inc.
6. Kinetica

All of the vendor responses are retained in the engineering file. Based upon the price quotes and follow-up discussions with the vendors, Southern Research, Inc. is the only known company who is capable providing the services requested in the Statement of Work.

Based upon the above, I hereby determine that the circumstances of the contract action deem only one source reasonably available for this acquisition. I certify that the supporting data presented in this justification are accurate and complete.


Chris Parlier, NE-M6 , Staff Engineer

7/17/12
Date

I hereby certify that this justification is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.


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7/18/12