

MEMORANDUM TO THE FILE

Subj: JUSTIFICATION FOR USE OF OTHER THAN FULL AND OPEN COMPETITION FOR A FAR PART 13 ACQUISITION UNDER THE SIMPLIFIED ACQUISITION THRESHOLD

I. BACKGROUND:

1. FAR 13.106-1(b)(1)(i) states for purchases not exceeding the simplified acquisition threshold, Contracting Officers may solicit from one source if the Contracting Officer determines that the circumstances of the contract action deem only one source reasonably available (e.g., urgency, exclusive licensing agreements, brand-name or industrial mobilization).
2. As required by FAR 13.106-3(b)(i), this memorandum explains the absence of competition for this acquisition, as only one source will be solicited for this requirement (or for a portion of the requirement) and the requirement (or portion of the requirement to be sole-sourced) is not expected to exceed the simplified acquisition threshold.

II. DESCRIPTION OF ITEM OR SERVICE:

Thomson Reuters CLEAR is a robust Public records database that has combined multiple database into a singular access point. CLEAR will help the user in obtain the necessary information to aid and assist cases.

The service requested are to provide and manage ten (10) user account for the Marine Corps Intelligence Surveillance Reconnaissance Enterprise (MCISRE) Insider Threat Program(InTP) Analysts for the continuing support of the InTP and Continuous Evaluation (CE).

In order to meet Headquarters Marine Corps, Intelligence Department, Insider Threat Program's research and analytical needs, Thomson Reuters proposes CLEAR for Government Fraud. CLEAR provides a newly enhanced web-based platform that allows analysts to easily access billions of public records and additional content in an intuitive working environment. The most significant differentiators of our CLEAR solution are:

- **Live Gateways to Real-time Data** from primary sources and unique data only available to CLEAR, such as cell phone data, carrier data, and utility records.

- **Source Transparency** that helps Headquarters Marine Corps, Intelligence Department's Insider Threat Program make more informed assessments by seeing where the information comes from.

- **Quick Analysis Flags and Alerts** that help analysts know where to focus their efforts (e.g., identifying potential red flags for a person, business, or both). Alerting capabilities allow analysts to be notified if any key information on a subject changes.

- **Real-time Incarceration Data** (within 15 minutes of arrest) from more than 90% of the jail beds in the United States—nearly ten times more jurisdictions than any other vendor.

- **Locator Data** Live gateways, such as the real-time credit header and phone data sources mentioned above, are highly valued for often providing the most current address available. CLEAR's utility hookup records, updated daily, are another critical source for current addresses. For people who are not easily traceable via traditional sources such as credit header, locator information from utility records may provide the only current and accurate address and phone number data available, and CLEAR offers the most comprehensive utility locator information on the market

III. THE DETERMINATION FOR USE OF OTHER THAN FULL AND OPEN COMPETITION IS BASED ON THE FOLLOWING (*select all that apply*):

A. **ONLY ONE RESPONSIBLE SOURCE** (*select all that apply*):

1. **RESTRICTIVE RIGHTS.** The source has established proprietary rights, limited rights in data, patent rights, copyrights or secret processes in the item or service required.

Thomson Reuters CLEAR is the only known Public Records database that has combined multiple database and provide a singular access point to those database. CLEAR also provide real-time search and Web Analytics.

2. **EXCLUSIVE LICENSING AGREEMENTS.** The item or service is only available from the Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM), or there is only one authorized distributor or technical representative for the OEM.

3. **OTHER REASONS.**

B. **BRAND NAME**

Item required must be a brand name, product, or feature of a product, particular to one manufacturer.

C. **URGENT AND COMPELLING.** The supplies or services are of such unusual and compelling urgency that the Government would be seriously injured unless the agency is permitted to limit the number of sources from which it solicits bids or proposals. Urgent requirements are supplies or services that will result in a work stoppage, or are mission critical and the routine processing time would result in injury to the Government. The determination that the procurement for the above item/service is an urgent and compelling requirement is based on the following:

V. CERTIFICATIONS:

- A. **Technical / Requirements Certification:** I certify that the facts and representation under my cognizance which are included in this justification are complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief.

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B. Contracting Officer Certification: I certify that this justification is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.


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