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**Justification & Approval
For Other Than Full & Open
Competition/Brand Name**

USITC - 052 (Rev. 8/2016)

REQUISITION NUMBER: 6500-OARS-18-0038

1. CONTRACTING OFFICE

U.S. International Trade Commission
Office of Procurement
500 E Street, SW
Washington, DC 20436

REQUIRING OFFICE

U.S. International Trade Commission
Office of Analysis and Research Services
500 E Street, SW
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2. NATURE/DESCRIPTION OF ACTION(S)

Sole Source

In accordance with FAR Subpart 6.303-2, this justification for other than full and open competition will result in award of a sole source contract to Metal Bulletin

3. DESCRIPTION OF SUPPLIES/SERVICES (Check box below:)

This requirement is to purchase:

Renewal of license and subscription to Seamless OCTG & Linepipe Tracker (formerly Seamless Steel Tue & Pipe Monthly)

- ☐ Support services (non-R&D)
☒ Supplies/equipment
☐ Information technology (IT)
☐ Other (specify): _____

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3/1/2018

to

2/28/2019

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6. STATUTORY AUTHORITY

Sole Source

FAR Subpart 6.302-1 and 41 U.S.C. 253(c)(1): When the supplies or services required by the agency are available from the only one responsible source, and no other type of supplies or services will satisfy agency requirements, full and open competition need not be provided for.

7. DEMONSTRATION OF CONTRACTOR OR BRAND UNIQUE QUALIFICATIONS

Seamless OCTG & Linepipe Market Tracker [formerly Seamless Steel Tube and Pipe Monthly] provides the NRE Division with critical data and analysis on this steel sub-sector. Such information supports Strategic Goal 2 research efforts along with investigations and cases held before the Commission. Seamless OCTG & Linepipe Market Tracker is considered a critical resource for the NRE Division within the Office of Industries under the Office of Operations.

8. DESCRIPTION OF EFFORTS MADE TO ENSURE OFFERS WERE SOLICITED FROM AS MANY POTENTIAL SOURCES AS IS PRACTICABLE

The Commission, and the Main Library in particular, routinely invites and assesses vendors and products relative to Commission research resource requirements.



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9. DESCRIPTION OF FAIR AND REASONABLE COST

In accordance with FAR Subparts 12.209, 13.106-3, 15.4, it is hereby determined that the anticipated cost or price to the Government for this contract action will be fair and reasonable. The Price Reasonableness Memorandum detailing the Fair and Reasonable Price Determination will be included in the contract file documentation.

10. MARKET RESEARCH

Market Research was conducted in accordance with FAR Part 10, and it was determined that the above stated requirement is commercially available in the commercial market place from only one source.



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11. ANY OTHER FACTS SUPPORTING THE JUSTIFICATION

n/a

12. LISTING OF SOURCES

None

13. FUTURE PLANS TO PROMOTE COMPETITION

Should market research reveal a peer to this unique publication and resource, future competition is ensured.



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14. TECHNICAL PERSONNEL/REQUIRING OFFICE CERTIFICATION

I certify that the facts and representations in this justification, included herein, meet the Government's need and that the supporting data which forms the basis for this justification is complete and accurate

Prepared By: **Print Name:** Sherelle Black

Requestor/COR

Signature: SHERELLE BLACK

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Date: January 29, 2018

Approved By: **Print Name:** Jeremy Wise

Office Director/Cost Center Manager

Signature: JEREMY WISE

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15. CONTRACTING OFFICER CERTIFICATION

I have received this justification and find it to be accurate and

knowledge and belief.

Approved By: **Print Name:**

Contracting Officer

Sign

Date:

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