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**Justification & Approval  
 Limited Sources/Brand Name  
 for Federal Supply Schedule**

USITC - 053 (Rev. 6/2016)

**REQUISITION NUMBER:** 6100-OCIO-18-0037

**1. CONTRACTING OFFICE**

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**REQUIRING OFFICE**

U.S. International Trade Commission  
 Office of Chief Information Officer  
 500 E Street, SW  
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**2. NATURE/DESCRIPTION OF ACTION(S)**

Brand Name

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

This requirement is to purchase:

Hardware for vmware upgrade. Intel Server adapters and Q logic network adapter.

- Support services (non-R&D)
- Supplies/equipment
- Information technology (IT)
- Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_

**FOIA Exemption (b)(6)**  
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### 6. AUTHORITY AND RATIONALE

This acquisition is being conducted under the authority of the Multiple-Award Schedule Program. The proposed action may be awarded on a limited sources basis under the following authority: *Check box below and provide supporting rationale.*

- FAR Subpart 8.405-6(a)(1)(i)(A)** An urgent and compelling need exists, and following the procedures would result in unacceptable delays;
- FAR Subpart 8.405-6(a)(1)(i)(B)** Only one source is capable of providing the supplies or services required at the level of quality required because the supplies or services are unique or highly specialized; or
- FAR Subpart 8.405-6(a)(1)(i)(C)** In the interest of economy and efficiency, the new work is a logical follow-on to an original Federal Supply Schedule order provided that the original order was placed in accordance with the applicable Federal Supply Schedule ordering procedures. The original order or BPA must not have been previously issued under sole-source or limited-sources procedures.
- FAR Subpart 8.405-6(b)** An item peculiar to one manufacturer (Example: particular brand name, product, or a feature of a product, peculiar to one manufacturer.)

Officer of Chief Information Officer requires Intel and Q logic branded network adapters because our visualization and back-up servers have finite space and considerable network requirements only these parts and specific models provide. Other manufacturers do not reliably provide parts that fit in our servers or ensure the same network speed and reliably the named brands do.

### 7. DETERMINATION OF BEST VALUE

In accordance with FAR Subpart 8.404(d), services offered on Federal Supply Schedules are priced either at hourly rates, or at a fixed price for performance of a specific task. The awarding agency has already determined the prices of supplies and fixed-price services, and rates for services offered at hourly rates, under schedule contracts to be fair and reasonable.



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### 8. MARKET RESEARCH

In accordance with FAR Part 10, market research was conducted and it was determined that the product and/or services are available to Government agencies through the Federal Supply Schedules.

In accordance with FAR Subpart 5.202 (a)(11), the requirement is exempt from being synopsisized.

### 9. ANY OTHER FACTS SUPPORTING THE JUSTIFICATION

Our virtual environment requires hardware with specific size, throughput, and performance metrics. The qlogic and Intel adaptors specified as requirements here provide specific functionality.

### 10. FUTURE PLANS TO PROMOTE COMPETITION

As virtual systems and the hardware that supports them evolve, we can reasonably expect more flexibility in our hardware needs, providing additional opportunities for competition.



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**11. 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:** **PETER BURRIS** Digitally signed by PETER BURRIS  
**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ Date: 2018.04.12 10:00:58 -04'00'

Approved By: **Print Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **FOIA Exemption (b)(6)** \_\_\_\_\_ Center Manager  
**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **FOIA Exemption (b)(6)** \_\_\_\_\_

**12. CONTRACTING OFFICER CERTIFICATION**

I have received this justification and find it to be accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Approved By: **Print Name:** **FOIA Exemption (b)(6)** \_\_\_\_\_ Contracting Officer  
**Signature:** **FOIA Exemption (b)(6)** \_\_\_\_\_ Date: 4.20.18