



UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

Office of Procurement

**JUSTIFICATION AND APPROVAL
FOR OTHER THAN FULL AND OPEN COMPETITION**

Upon the basis of the following justification, I hereby approve the issuance of the proposed contract described herein using other than full and open competition, pursuant to the authority of 41 U.S.C., 253(c), as amended by Public Law 99-500.

JUSTIFICATION

1. Identification of the Contracting Activity:

United States International Trade Commission (hereinafter "USITC" or the "Commission")
Office of Procurement
500 E Street, SW
Washington, DC 20436

2. Nature/Description of Action: Renewal of recurring requirement.

3. Description of Supplies/Services: EBSCOhost provides e-journal and e-report access to the following proprietary platform: Business Source Complete & EconLit. Thousands of academic, trade and professional full text electronic journals in the business, economic, finance, industry sector, and commercial arenas are made available to all ITC staff through a site license with a targeted audience for EC & ID supporting active investigations and sector monitoring.

4. Identification of Statutory Authority: This acquisition will be conducted under FAR Part 6.3 - Other Than Full and Open Competition. The following is the Commission's authority for using other than full and open competition:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	6.302-1 Only one responsible source and no other supplies or services will satisfy agency requirements. (If cited for a follow-on acquisition, provide the information requested in #9(b)).
<input type="checkbox"/>	6.302-2 Unusual and compelling urgency. (If cited, provide the information requested in #9(c)).
<input type="checkbox"/>	6.302-3 Industrial mobilization; engineering, developmental, or research capability; or expert services.
<input type="checkbox"/>	6.302-4 International agreement.
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	6.302-5 Authorized or required by statute.
<input type="checkbox"/>	6.302-6 National security.
<input type="checkbox"/>	6.302-7 Public interest.

5. Rationale for Use of Statutory Authority Cited: Business Source Complete and EconLit are proprietary aggregators of other publishers content hence their platform and collection is proprietary and exclusive to their respective agreements with publishers. EBSCOhost provides e-journal and e-report access to the following proprietary platform: Business Source Complete & EconLit. Thousands of academic, trade and professional full text electronic journals in the business, economic, finance, industry sector, and commercial arenas are made available to all ITC staff through a site license with a targeted audience for EC & ID supporting active investigations and sector monitoring.
6. Efforts Made to Solicit Potential Sources: The Main Library maintains an awareness of e-journal aggregators and at present EBSCOhost has the best breadth, scope and on-target relevance per ITC's ongoing and recurring requirements.
7. Determination of Fair and Reasonable Cost by Contracting Officer:

The Contracting Officer has determined that the cost to the Government will be fair and reasonable.

8. Description of Market Research Conducted or Reason for Not Conducting Market Research:

See item 6.

9. Other Supporting Facts: N/A

- (a) Explain why technical data packages, specifications, engineering descriptions, statements of work, or purchase descriptions suitable for full and open competition have not been developed or are not available:
- (b) If FAR 6.302-1 is cited for a follow-on acquisition, provide an estimate of the cost to the Government that would be duplicated and how the estimate was derived:
- (c) If FAR 6.302-2 is cited, provide data, estimated cost, or other rationale as to the extent and nature of the harm to the Government:
- (d) Any additional supporting facts: This is a sole sourced product.

10. List of Sources that Expressed, in Writing, an Interest in the Acquisition: No sources expressed in writing, an interest in the acquisition.

11. Future Plans to Promote Competition: No plans to compete this resource based on Item 5.

CERTIFICATIONS AND APPROVAL

Technical Certification

I certify that the facts and representations under my cognizance, which are included in this Justification, and which forms a basis for the Justification are complete and accurate.

Robert Brunkpies, Chief Liaison
Name and Title

FOIA Exemption (b)(6)

[Signature]
Signature of Technical Representative

7/25/12
Date

Contracting Officer Certification

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

Celeste A. Rueffert
Name

FOIA Exemption (b)(6)

[Signature]
Signature of Contracting Officer

7/31/12
Date