MANATEE COUNTY GOVERNMENT NOTICE OF INTENT TO AWARD A SOLE SOURCE CONTRACT

SUBJECT/TITLE	Service Plan – Unity Essential Support Plan-Chrome-GC; MSPEC-LC-MS; CHROM LC DNX; ION CHROM; SPECTRONIC.	DATE POSTED	MC
PROCUREMENT REPRESENTATIVE	Thomas Couchois Jr, Procurement Agent I	DATE CONTRACT SHALL BE AWARDED	December 18, 2023
DEPARTMENT	Utilities	CONSEQUENCES IF DEFERRED	Lack of required support.
REQUISITION NO.	R083576	AUTHORIZED BY DATE	Jacob Erickson, Purchasing Official

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The Manatee County Procurement Division provides notice of its intent to award a sole source purchase order with a value of \$66,070.51 with Thermo Electron North America, LLC for the provision of an annual service support plan for Thermo Fisher Scientific Unity Essential Instrumentation.

ENABLING/REGULATING AUTHORITY

Federal/State law(s), administrative ruling(s), Manatee County Comp Plan/Land Development Code, ordinances, resolutions, policy.

Manatee County Code of Laws

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION

Manatee County Procurement Division has completed a due diligence review and intends to procure an annual service support plan for Unity Essential Instrumentation from Thermo Electron North America, LLC without conducting a competitive solicitation process for the following reason(s).

- Thermo Electron North America, LLC is part of Thermo Fisher Scientific, Inc. Thermo Fisher Scientific Inc. (TFS) is the sole source equipment manufacturer and service provider for all their proprietary instruments, parts, training, technical support, field service support. Proprietary rights are also included for software used in their instruments.
- TFS Field Service Engineers (FSE's) are the only certified and factory trained engineers available to service TFS instruments.

Any company that believes they can provide this service must provide, in writing, convincing technical data sufficient to support their position to the Manatee County Procurement Division at purchasing@mymanatee.org no later than December 15, 2023.