

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

SUBJECT/TITLE	Unity Lab Services Service Plan	DATE POSTED	MC _____
PROCUREMENT REPRESENTATIVE	Thomas Couchois Jr, Procurement Agent II	DATE CONTRACT SHALL BE AWARDED	January 10, 2025
DEPARTMENT	Utilities	CONSEQUENCES IF DEFERRED	Instruments/equipment would be inoperable
TASK NO.	25-R086366TC	AUTHORIZED BY DATE	<i>Stacia Branco</i> <small>Digitally signed by Stacia Branco Date: 2024.12.30 10:46:54 -05'00'</small> Jacob Erickson, Purchasing Official

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The Manatee County Procurement Division provides notice of its intent to award a sole source contract with a value of \$63,575.73 with Thermo Electron North America, LLC for the provision of Unity Lab Services Service Plan.

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 Unity Lab Services Service Plan 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 good or 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 January 9, 2025 for evaluation and consideration.