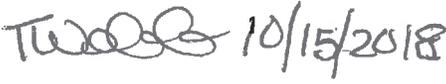


**MANATEE COUNTY GOVERNMENT
INTENT TO AWARD**

RFO NO. / TITLE	18-R069773MG Microwave Digestion System	DATE POSTED	MC <u>10/05/18</u> ^{TR} DS _____ MCC _____ BCC _____
PROCUREMENT REPRESENTATIVE	MAKIA GoldARAZ	PROJECTED AWARD DATE	October 12, 2018
DEPARTMENT/DIVISION	Manatee County Central Laboratory	AUTHORIZED BY DATE	 10/15/2018 Theresa Webb, Procurement Official

NOTICE OF INTENT TO AWARD

The Manatee County Procurement Division provides notice of its intent to award a contract with CEM Corporation for the provision of Microwave Digestion System and Preventative Maintenance.

ENABLING/REGULATING AUTHORITY

Manatee County Procurement Ordinance, Sec 2-26.

BACKGROUND/EVALUATIONS

BACKGROUND

This solicitation was advertised on August 23, 2018. Offers were received from:

1. Anton Paar USA, Inc., Houston, TX
2. CEM Corporation, Matthews, NC
3. Milestone, Shelton, CT

The following firm was deemed non-responsible: Thermo Fisher Scientific, Pittsburgh, PA

TECHNICAL EVALUATIONS

Evaluation of offers was conducted based upon the criteria in the RFO. At the conclusion of evaluations, the highest ranked firm was CEM Corporation.

The Manatee County Central Laboratory is recommending award of an agreement for Microwave Digestion System and Preventative Maintenance to the following firm(s):

CEM Corporation

ATTACHMENTS (List in order of attached)		NAME AND NUMBER OF FUNDING SOURCE	4010010200564000
COST	,\$29,397.00	FUNDS VERIFIED	Yes