

# MANATEE COUNTY GOVERNMENT

## NOTICE OF INTENT TO NEGOTIATE FOR AWARD OF A SOLE SOURCE CONTRACT

<b>SUBJECT</b>	ECO Bionics Biogenerator / Digester Unit Rental and Service	<b>DATE POSTED</b>	MC _____	
<b>PROCUREMENT REPRESENTATIVE</b>	Abby Jenkins	<b>DATE CONTRACT SHALL BE AWARDED</b>	December 11, 2020	
<b>DEPARTMENT</b>	Utilities Department	<b>CONSEQUENCES IF DEFERRED</b>	Increase cost in maintenance and potential blockage of stations	
<b>SOLICITATION</b>	R075832	<b>AUTHORIZED BY DATE</b>	Jacob Erickson, Procurement Official	

### NOTICE OF INTENT TO NEGOTIATE FOR AWARD

The Manatee County Procurement Division provides notice of its intent to negotiate a sole source contract with a value of \$379,113.24 with Chemsearch FE for the provision of ECO Bionics Biogenerator / Digester Unit Rental and Service.

### 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 ECO Bionic Biogenerator / Digester Rental and Service from Chemsearch FE without conducting a competitive solicitation process for the following reason(s).

Chemsearch FE has two US Patents for their Bio-generator Automated System and method for growing bacteria and holds the proprietary blend of bacteria strains used in their Free-Flow pellets that are used in the BIO-AMP generator units. Chemsearch FE is the sole proprietor of the patented FREE-FLOW pellets and incubation system. The patented BIO-AMP system which is used to incubate the Bacillus and Pseudomonas strains of bacteria used for Fats, Oils, and Grease (FOG) remediation within the lift stations and downstream collection system.

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](mailto:purchasing@mymanatee.org) no later than December 11, 2020.

<b>ATTACHMENTS</b> (List in order of attached)		<b>FUNDING SOURCE</b> (Acct Number & Name)	Utilities Rates 4010010300 534000 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Funds Verified <input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Funds
<b>PROJECTED COST</b>	\$379,113.24	<b>AMT/FREQ OF RECURRING COSTS</b> (Attach Fiscal Impact Statement)	