

MANATEE COUNTY GOVERNMENT

NOTICE OF INTENT TO AWARD A SINGLE SOURCE CONTRACT

SUBJECT/TITLE	Service & Maintenance of Laboratory Equipment	DATE POSTED	MC Website _____
PROCUREMENT REPRESENTATIVE	Thomas Couchois Jr, Procurement Agent II	DATE CONTRACT SHALL BE AWARDED	August 18, 2025
DEPARTMENT	Utilities	AUTHORIZED BY DATE	Jacob Erickson, Purchasing Official
TASK NO.	25-R088230TC		

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The Manatee County Procurement Division provides notice of its intent to award a single source contract with a value of \$192,209.50 with Agilent Technologies, Inc. for the provision of Service & Maintenance of Laboratory Equipment.

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 Service & Maintenance of Laboratory Equipment from Agilent Technologies, Inc. without conducting a competitive solicitation process for the following reason(s):

The Manatee County Utilities Department urgently required a vendor to handle preventive maintenance and repairs for the extensive array of over 50 pieces of laboratory equipment crucial for conducting analytical testing under Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) permits. Maintaining proper working order for all analytical equipment is paramount to compliance with state licensing regulations. Despite receiving no bids after issuing an Invitation to Quote, the Utilities Department proactively pursued various companies for equipment servicing, with Agilent Technologies, Inc. emerging as the only comprehensive solution. Unlike other vendors who limited services and maintenance to certain manufactured equipment, Agilent stood out by offering support for all 50 plus pieces of laboratory equipment and providing a detailed quote that perfectly aligned with the Central Laboratory's essential service requirements.

Any company that believes it can provide this good/service, must submit detailed information about its good/service to the Manatee County Procurement Division at purchasing@mymanatee.org no later than August 15, 2025 for evaluation and consideration.