

March 25, 2010

TO:

All Bidders

SUBJECT:

Invitation for Bid # 10-0795TR

Roadway Lighting LED Retrofit

REJECTION OF ALL BIDS

Bidders are hereby notified that all bids received for this solicitation have been rejected.

Pursuant to the authority provided to the County by Florida Statues §255.20(1)(d), Manatee County Code §2-26-43, and the reservation of rights provided for in the bid document (A 10, Reserved Rights), Manatee County hereby provides notification of its decision to reject all bids received in response to the referenced bid.

This decision was made for several reasons. The responses revealed that the County's estimated budget for the quantities of products specified was grossly underestimated. The bid technical specifications were broader than the current market technology supports and therefore multiple conflicts between the bid specifications and the available market products were revealed.

The County has learned much from this process. Going forward, our technical staff will generate conservative and achievable bid specifications for quantities of products that may be affordable with the limited budget available.

The Manatee County Purchasing Division is grateful for your continuing willingness to participate in this process, and hopes that you will excuse any inconvenience this decision has caused you and that you will continue to bid on this and similar future projects. We shall use the responses to this bid for notification of potential bidders when the revised bid documents for this project are available.

Cordially,

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