

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

<b>SUBJECT/TITLE</b>	Unity Essential Support Plans Annual Renewal	<b>DATE POSTED</b>	MC _____
<b>PROCUREMENT REPRESENTATIVE</b>	Charles Bentley	<b>DATE CONTRACT SHALL BE AWARDED</b>	December 30, 2021
<b>DEPARTMENT</b>	Utilities	<b>CONSEQUENCES IF DEFERRED</b>	Inefficiency of detecting toxins and producing high quality water for the public.
<b>REQUISITION NO.</b>	R078198	<b>AUTHORIZED BY DATE</b>	Jacob Erickson, Procurement Official

## NOTICE OF INTENT TO AWARD A SOLE SOURCE CONTRACT

The Manatee County Procurement Division provides notice of its intent to award a sole source contract with a value of \$51,524.00 with Thermo Electron North America, LLC for the provision of Unity Essential Support Plans renewal for calendar year 2022.

### 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 Essential Support Plans for year 2021 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. Thermo Fisher Scientific (TFS) is the sole source service provider for all their scientific instruments. They have proprietary rights to the 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](mailto:purchasing@mymanatee.org) no later than December 29, 2021.