

Financial Services
Mrs. Judith M. Marte, Chief Financial Officer

**SUBJECT: AWARD ITB NO. ITB-15-055-HR – WASTEWATER
TREATMENT FACILITIES – OPERATE AND MAINTAIN**

COMMITTEE: FACILITIES AND CONSTRUCTION

**LINK TO STRATEGIC
BLUEPRINT: EFFECTIVE AND SUSTAINABLE BUSINESS PRACTICES**

Procurement Management Services, at the request of the Office of Facilities, released the above-referenced solicitation. The purpose of this Invitation to Bid (ITB) is to establish a contract at firm unit prices, for operation and maintenance of wastewater treatment plants. This is a term bid which states that the Board may purchase quantities, as may be needed, but is not obligated to purchase any guaranteed amount. This ITB was advertised on the Miami-Dade County Public Schools Procurement Management Services' website, the DemandStar website, Bid Net, Florida Bid, *The Miami Times* and the *Diario Las Americas* newspapers, and emailed to 10 potential bidders.

The initial term of the bid shall be for a two (2) year period, commencing June 22, 2016 through June 21, 2018, and may, by mutual agreement between The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, and the successful bidder, be extended for three (3) additional one (1) year periods.

Strategies were employed to increase SBE/MBE participation; however, during the Goal Setting Committee meeting, the recommendation for this solicitation was to be open, not sheltered, as a large number of SBE/MBE vendors were not identified within the commodity code(s).

Two vendors submitted bids in response to this solicitation. Upon further negotiation with the vendors, Procurement Management Services was able to obtain an additional \$9,600 savings from Best and Final pricing.

This contract shall be awarded to a primary and alternate vendor, as this is in the best interest of the District. Based on the criteria listed in the solicitation, two (2) vendors are being recommended for award.

Fund Source
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RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida:

1. **AWARD** Bid No. ITB-15-055-HR – WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITIES, to establish a contract at firm unit prices for the operation and maintenance of wastewater treatment plants for The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, with an effective date of June 22, 2016 through June 21, 2018, including extensions thereto, as follows:

PRIMARY

- a. HAND UTILITIES, INC.
8179 S.W. 190 STREET
MIAMI, FL 33157
OWNER: JAMES HAND, PRESIDENT

ALTERNATE

- b. US WATER SERVICES CORPORATION
4939 CROSS BAYOU BOULEVARD
NEW PORT RICHEY, FL 34652
OWNER: GARY DEREMER, PRESIDENT

2. Authorize Procurement Management Services to purchase up to the total estimated amount of \$256,520 for the initial contract term, and an amount not to exceed \$129,000, for each subsequent one (1) year extension period(s). Board authorization of this recommendation does not mean the amount shown will be expended.

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