

Indian River County, Florida  
Department of Utility Services  
Board Memorandum

**Date:** October 22, 2019  
**To:** Jason E. Brown, County Administrator  
**From:** Vincent Burke, PE, Director of Utility Services  
**Thru:** Jennifer Hyde, Purchasing Manager  
**Prepared By:** Terry Southard, Operations Manager, Utility Services  
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**Subject:** Sole Source for MKI Services Inc.

**Background/Analysis:**

In 1999, the Indian River County Department of Utility Services (IRCDUS) installed and started operations of the Suez Infilco Traveling Bridge Filters #1 and #2 located at the Central Regional Wastewater Facility. The filters are designed to filter the wastewater effluent for further treatment and eventual discharge to the reuse system. This vital process equipment is required to ensure that the facility is in compliance with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) treatment requirements as well as the health and safety of our environment.

Over the last 19+ years, the equipment received routine maintenance, but the equipment is now in need of refurbishment. The refurbishment will consist of internal porous plates, underwater components, launders, indexing peg supports and filter media. This work has a one-year warranty period from the date of completion and will extend the useful life of these units an additional 20 years.

MKI Services Inc. is the sole source provider for factory-certified technicians and parts for the Suez Treatment Solutions Infilco Process Equipment. MKI Services has provided the Rehab Service Proposal for a cost of \$415,000.00

**Funding:**

Funds for this project are available in the Renewal and Replacement (R&R) budget in the Operating Fund. Operating funds are generated from water and sewer sales. \$500,000.00 was budgeted for this work in the FY 2019/2020 Budget

Description	Account Number	Amount
Central WWTF Filter Rehab	47121836-044699-19524	\$415,000.00

**Recommendation:**

Staff recommends that the Board of County Commissioners designate MKI Services Inc. as the sole source for Suez Treatment Solutions Infilco Process Equipment, effective for three years from approval, waive the requirement for bids for this and any other Suez Treatment Solutions Infilco Process Equipment parts and services, and authorize the Purchasing Division to issue a purchase order to MKI Services Inc. for \$415,000.00.

**Attachments:**

1. MKI Services Inc. Service Proposal
2. Sole Source Letter, Suez Treatment Solutions