



**INDIAN RIVER COUNTY, FLORIDA
DEPARTMENT OF UTILITY SERVICES**

Date: January 8, 2019
To: Jason E. Brown, County Administrator
From: Vincent Burke, P.E., Director of Utility Services
Through: Jennifer Hyde, Purchasing Manager
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Subject: Sole Source for DPS Equipment Services Inc.

BACKGROUND/ ANALYSIS:

In 1999, the Indian River County Department of Utility Services (IRCDUS) installed and started operations of the Walker Process Equipment Clarifiers #1 and #2 located at the Central Regional Wastewater Facility. The Clarifiers are designed to settle the wastewater biomass and produce 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 housings, gears, and shafts that need to be solvent cleaned and thoroughly inspected. The seals, bearings, bearing races, chain, drive and driven sprockets, and dust shield will be replaced. This work has a one-year warranty period from the date of completion and will extend the useful life of these units.

DPS Equipment Services Inc. (DPS) is the sole source provider for factory-certified technicians and parts for the Walker Process Equipment Clarifiers. DPS has provided Service Proposal #18-159 for a cost of \$53,800.00

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.

Description	Account Number	Amount
Central WWTF Clarifier Repair	47123536-044699-19505	\$53,800.00

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Board of County Commissioners approve DPS Equipment Services Inc. as the sole source for Walker Process Equipment and waive the requirement for bids for this and any other Walker Process Equipment parts, equipment and services and authorize the Purchasing Division to issue a purchase order to DPS Services Inc. for \$53,800.00.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. DPS Equipment Services Inc. Service Proposal #18-159
2. Sole Source Letter, Walker Process Equipment