

Date: September 4, 2024

To: Honorable Chairman Oliver G. Gilbert, III
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

From: Daniella Levine Cava
Mayor

Agenda Item No. 8(P)(6)

Resolution No. R-764-24

Subject: Recommendation to Award Contracts for Chemical and Biological Testing and Sampling Services

Summary

This item will allow multiple County departments to continue purchasing chemical and biological testing, sampling, and scientific investigation services to ensure compliance with federal, state, and local environmental regulations of the County's facilities, water and wastewater operations, and County lands and bodies of water, such as the Biscayne Bay. The environmental samples to be tested for contaminants include drinking water, groundwater, storm water, surface water, saline water, soils, sediments, effluents, influents, hazardous and solid waste, and tissue. Ensuring that the County's water sources are free from harmful chemicals and pathogens is essential for safeguarding public health and overall environmental protection.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners (Board) approve competitive contract awards, *Contract No. EVN0000570, Chemical and Biological Testing and Sampling Services*, for multiple County departments to Eurofins Environment Testing Southeast, LLC in the amount of \$3,411,355 (Groups A and B) and to Pace Analytical Services, LLC in the amount of \$262,928 (Groups C and D) for a total amount of \$3,674,283 for a five-year term. These contracts will replace *Contract No. FB-01056* approved by the Board on March 19, 2019, via Resolution No. R-313-19.

Background

An Invitation to Bid was issued under full and open competition on January 25, 2024. On the closing date of February 28, 2024, the County received five bids, including one bid from a local firm. Upon advertisement of the solicitation, a total of 726 vendors were notified. Outreach efforts included contacting vendors identified through market research, as well as notifying the incumbent vendor. Market research revealed a limited number of local vendors, and no certified Small Business Enterprise (SBE) firms, who were able to provide the required services in accordance with the specifications.

The contracts consist of four groups as follows: Group A - Inorganic and Organic Test Methods for Water and Soil Samples (Parts 1 thru 6); Group B - Microbiological Testing Methods; Group C - Radiochemical Testing Methods, and Group D - Sampling and Field Services. The services are required to comply with the County's Environmental Protection Ordinance as stated in Chapter 24 of the County Code of Ordinances, Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP), and Florida Department of Health (FDOH). The awarded bidders are required to follow all applicable Federal and FDEP regulations, guidelines, methods, and standards related to the services being provided, including Code of Federal Regulations, Title 40 (40 CFR), Part 136, other applicable sections under Chapter I of Title 40; and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) published methods, guidelines, and standards for laboratories, including collection methods. Additionally, the awarded bidders are required to maintain their accreditation and follow the applicable standards and requirements published by the National Environmental Laboratory Accreditation Conference (NELAC) Institute/National Environmental Laboratory Accreditation Program (NELAP), and FDOH.

Scope

The scope of this item is countywide in nature.

Fiscal Impact/Funding Source

The fiscal impact for the five-year term is \$3,674,283. The current contract is valued at \$4,482,500 for a five-year and six-month term and expires on October 31, 2024. The total allocation for the replacement contracts is lower than the current contract on an annualized basis, due to the overall lower pricing offered by the lowest bidder for Groups A and D, respectively.

Department	Allocation	Funding Source	Contract Manager
Aviation	\$401,300	Proprietary Funds	Sylvia Novela
Regulatory and Economic Resources	\$1,891,090	Proprietary Funds	Joel Arango, Jr.
Transportation and Public Works	\$4,500	DTPW Operating	Alonzo Joseph
Solid Waste Management	\$853,090	Proprietary Funds	Karina Careaga
Water and Sewer	\$524,303	Proprietary Funds	Susan Pascual
Total	\$3,674,283		

Track Record/Monitor

Manuel Jimenez of the Strategic Procurement Department (SPD) is the Procurement Contracting Manager.

Delegated Authority

If this item is approved, the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee will have the authority to give notice of this award to the recommended vendors, issue the appropriate purchase orders to give effect to same and exercise all provisions of the contracts, including any cancellation or extensions, pursuant to Section 2-8.1 of the County Code and Implementing Order 3-38.

Vendors Recommended for Award

Pursuant to Resolution No. R-477-18, the lowest bidder for Groups A and B is recommended in accordance with the method of award per the solicitation and is non-local due to limited participation from local vendors.

Vendor	Principal Address	Local Address	Number of Employee Residents	Principal	Awarded Groups
			1) Miami-Dade 2) Percentage*		
Eurofins Environment Testing Southeast, LLC	481 Newburyport Avenue Altamonte Springs, FL	None	0	Alex Montoya	A and B
			0%		
Pace Analytical Services, LLC	2665 Long Lake Road Suite 300 Roseville, MN	6175 NW 153 Street Suite 101 Miami Lakes, FL	2	Steve A. Vanderboom	C and D
			0.04%		

*Provided pursuant to Resolution No. R-1011-15. Percentage of employee residents is the percentage of vendor's employees who reside in Miami-Dade County as compared to the vendor's total workforce.

Vendors Not Recommended for Award

Vendor	Local Address	Reason for Not Recommending
Advanced Environmental Laboratories, Inc.	No	Higher than lowest bid for each group
Certified Backflow Services LLC	No	
Florida-Spectrum Environmental Services, Inc.	No	

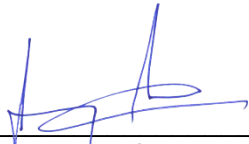
Due Diligence

Pursuant to Resolution No. R-187-12, due diligence was conducted in accordance with SPD's Procurement Guidelines to determine vendor responsibility, including verifying corporate status and that there are no performance and compliance issues through various vendor responsibility lists and a keyword internet search. The lists that were referenced included convicted vendors, debarred vendors, delinquent contractors, suspended vendors, and federal excluded parties. There were no adverse findings relating to vendor responsibility.

Pursuant to Resolution No. R-140-15, prior to re-procurement, a full review of the scope of services was conducted to ensure the replacement contract reflects the County's current needs. The review included conducting market research, posting a draft solicitation for industry comments, and holding meetings and drafting sessions with the user departments. The scope of services was updated to include additional line items and remove obsolete line items for testing and sampling services.

Applicability of Ordinances and Contract Measures

- The two percent User Access Program applies.
- The SBE measures and Local Preference were applied where permitted by funding source.
- The Living Wage Ordinance does not apply.



Jimmy Morales
Chief Operating Officer



MEMORANDUM

(Revised)

TO: Honorable Chairman Oliver G. Gilbert, III
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: September 4, 2024

FROM: 
Gen Bonzon-Keenan
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Agenda Item No. 8(P)(6)

Please note any items checked.

- ☐ "3-Day Rule" for committees applicable if raised
- ☐ 6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing
- ☐ 4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing
- ☐ Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budget
- ☐ Budget required
- ☐ Statement of fiscal impact required
- ☐ Statement of social equity required
- ☐ Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Mayor's report for public hearing
- ☐ No committee review
- ☐ Applicable legislation requires more than a majority vote (i.e., 2/3's present ____, 2/3 membership ____, 3/5's ____, unanimous ____, CDMP 7 vote requirement per 2-116.1(3)(h) or (4)(c) ____, CDMP 2/3 vote requirement per 2-116.1(3)(h) or (4)(c) ____, or CDMP 9 vote requirement per 2-116.1(4)(c)(2) ____ to approve
- ☐ Current information regarding funding source, index code and available balance, and available capacity (if debt is contemplated) required

Approved _____ Mayor
Veto _____
Override _____

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9-4-24

RESOLUTION NO. R-764-24

RESOLUTION APPROVING AWARD OF CONTRACT NO. EVN0000570 (GROUPS A AND B) TO EUROFINS ENVIRONMENT TESTING SOUTHEAST, LLC IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$3,411,355.00 AND CONTRACT NO. EVN0000570 (GROUPS C AND D) TO PACE ANALYTICAL SERVICES, LLC IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$262,928.00 FOR CHEMICAL AND BIOLOGICAL TESTING AND SAMPLING SERVICES FOR MULTIPLE COUNTY DEPARTMENTS IN A TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$3,674,283.00 FOR A FIVE-YEAR TERM; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO GIVE NOTICE OF THIS AWARD TO THE RECOMMENDED VENDORS, ISSUE THE APPROPRIATE PURCHASE ORDERS TO GIVE EFFECT TO SAME AND EXERCISE ALL PROVISIONS OF THE CONTRACTS, INCLUDING ANY CANCELLATIONS OR EXTENSIONS, PURSUANT TO SECTION 2-8.1 OF THE CODE OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA AND IMPLEMENTING ORDER 3-38

WHEREAS, this Board desires to accomplish the purposes outlined in the accompanying memorandum, a copy of which is incorporated herein by reference,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that this Board approves award of Contract No. EVN0000570 (Groups A and B) to Eurofins Environment Testing Southeast, LLC in an amount not to exceed \$3,411,355.00 and Contract No. EVN0000570 (Groups C and D) to Pace Analytical Services, LLC in an amount not to exceed \$262,928.00 for chemical and biological testing and sampling services for multiple County departments in a total amount not to exceed \$3,674,283.00 for a five-year term; and authorizing the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to give notice of this award to the recommended vendors, issue the appropriate

purchase orders to give effect to same and exercise all provisions of the contracts, including any cancellations or extensions, pursuant to section 2-8.1 of the Code of Miami-Dade County, Florida and Implementing Order 3-38. Copies of the contract documents are on file with and available upon request from the Strategic Procurement Department.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Commissioner **Marleine Bastien** , who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner **Raquel A. Regalado** and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

	Oliver G. Gilbert, III, Chairman	aye	
	Anthony Rodríguez, Vice Chairman	aye	
Marleine Bastien	aye	Juan Carlos Bermudez	aye
Kevin Marino Cabrera	aye	Sen. René García	aye
Roberto J. Gonzalez	aye	Keon Hardemon	aye
Danielle Cohen Higgins	aye	Eileen Higgins	aye
Kionne L. McGhee	aye	Raquel A. Regalado	aye
Micky Steinberg	aye		

The Chairperson thereupon declared this resolution duly passed and adopted this 4th day of September, 2024. This resolution shall become effective upon the earlier of (1) 10 days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the County Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board, or (2) approval by the County Mayor of this resolution and the filing of this approval with the Clerk of the Board.



MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA
BY ITS BOARD OF
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

JUAN FERNANDEZ-BARQUIN, CLERK

By: Basia Pruna
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency.

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Rochelle A. Hall