

SOLICITATION WAIVER

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Thioguard is the only product of its kind to achieve hydrogen sulfide reduction and alkalinity increase in the sewer system. This product is proprietary and patented and will be used to reduce the hydrogen sulfide gas causing odors within the Oak Run community. The reduction of hydrogen sulfide (H2S) gas offers significant benefits related to health, safety, environmental protection, and infrastructure integrity. H2S is toxic and corrosive, so its removal is crucial for preventing health issues associated with exposure, maintains structural integrity of building and other structures and the environmental impacts such as air pollution and the formation of sulfuric acid, which can harm aquatic ecosystems.

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Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 1:54 PM

To: Shahid, Victor < Victor. Shahid@marionfl.org >; Kramer, Joshua < Joshua. Kramer@marionfl.org >

Subject: FW: Solicitation Waiver and subsequent requisition for Premier Magnesia

Can you respond to Caley's question about why we chose this one please?

Thanks

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John,

I am going to do MY VERY BEST to get this on the 5/20 Agenda. I spoke with Victor earlier, so I know that Angel, and the Board are aware, but I need to know why Utilities wants to use this specific odor control product rather than any other product that is available. I can take this in form of an email and just attach it to the Soliciation Waiver that you provided me. I really need this today so I can put it on the Agenda before it gets closed out. I will be at lunch until about 2:00 so if you need to speak with me, send me an