

SOLICITATION WAIVER

This form is for requesting an exemption to a quote, bid, RFP or RFQ. If under \$50,000 will require County Administrator approval and if over \$50,000 the request will need BCC approval. Use your cursor to hover over a field for help.
Please send completed and digitally signed form to Procurement@marionfl.org

Date: 7/7/2026

Using Department: Utilities

Request Type: Requesting Department: Utilities

- ☒ Bid Exemption
☐ Standardization of Product/Brand
☒ Sole Source Provider of Good/Service
☐ Piggyback Agency _____

Purchase ☐ 1 time or ☒ recurring purchase with this year's total expenditure estimated is at \$ 100,000.00

Justification and/or Description:

The Utilities Department currently operates and maintains numerous HIVENT, HIBOCS, HICARB, and HIVON units at its wastewater treatment plants and lift stations. The Department requests that Heyward Florida Incorporated be designated as the sole-source provider for these units and their associated components. Standardizing on a single manufacturer will reduce staff training requirements for maintenance and repairs, minimize equipment downtime by streamlining repair processes, and lower inventory costs by reducing the variety of spare parts that must be maintained in stock.

Joshua Kramer Digitally signed by Joshua Kramer
Date: 2026.07.07 10:09:47 -04'00'

Project Manager Signature:

Director Signature:

2655-111

*Procurement Use Only

The following request is in accordance with the Procurement Manual, and meets the requirements to complete the exemption request and ☐ DOES ☐ DOES NOT require Board Approval.

Melanie K. Kuster

PCA:

7/27

Date:

Susan Olsen

Susan Olsen (Jul 27, 2026 08:36:02 EDT)

Jul 27, 2026

Procurement Director:

Date:

Do not sign below without prior signatures from Procurement Services above.

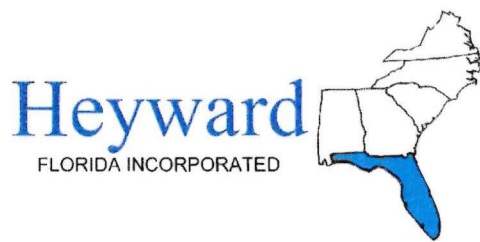
County Administrator Signature

Chairman Signature

Reset Form

Email Form

Revised 7/2026



415 Country Club Drive - Winter Park, FL 32789

Email: gchomic@heywardFL.com

PH: 407-948-0332

June 5, 2026

To whom it may concern,

Heyward Florida Incorporated (FED ID#59-3548065) is the owner, manufacturer, sole supplier, inventor, and patent holder for the **HIVENT**,[®] **HIBOCS**, **HICARB**, and **HIVON** odor control equipment, media, parts, services, **HIBLEND** nutrients used in our **HIBOCS** biological odor control systems, and **HISCENT** odor neutralizer used in our **HIVENT**[®] and **HIVON** equipment.

Should you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Regards,

Gregory J. Chomic

Gregory J. Chomic
President

H2S Control
Odor Control Systems

"Simple...Economical...Effective"



"Arrest Your Odors"



**Marion County
Board of County Commissioners**

Office of the County Attorney

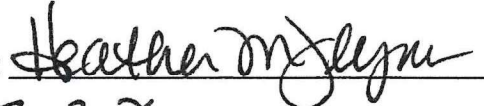
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Proof of Publication

No.: 2026-0176

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF MARION
PREPARED BY HEATHER FLYNN:

Before the undersigned authority personally appeared Heather Flynn, who on oath says that they are the Legal Services Manager of Marion County, Florida; that the attached copy of advertisement: Notice of Publication: Notice of Intent to Determine Sole Source 26SS-111 HIVENT, HIBOCS, HICARB, and HIVON Odor Control Equipment, Media, Parts, Services published on the publicly accessible website, MarionFL.org/LegalNotices, of Marion County, Florida on July 13, 2026. Affiant further says that the website complies with all legal requirements for publication in Chapter 50, Florida Statutes.

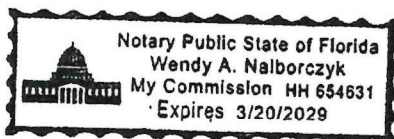
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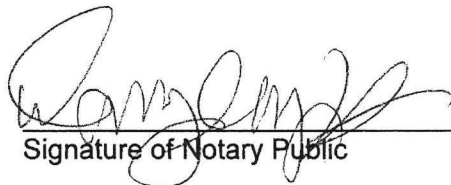
☐ Business Impact Estimate published with the advertisement and attached.

THIS SECTION PREPARED BY NOTARY:

Sworn and Subscribed before me this 13th day of July, 2026, by Heather Flynn who is: personally known to me ☒ or who has produced _____ as identification.



Notary Public Stamp


Signature of Notary Public

ATTACH COPY FROM WEBSITE POSTING



Legal Notices

Notice of Publication: Notice of Intent to Determine Sole Source 26SS-111 HIVENT, HIBOCS, HICARB, and HIVON Odor Control Equipment, Media, Parts, Services

Post Date: 07/13/2026 8:00 AM

26SS-111 HIVENT, HIBOCS, HICARB, and HIVON Odor Control Equipment, Media, Parts, Services

Project Description

Marion County Procurement intends to utilize the Sole Source Procurement method to purchase HIVENT, HIBOCS, HICARB, and HIVON units for use at its wastewater treatment plants and lift stations from Heyward Florida Incorporated.

This is not a request for bids or proposal and there is no solicitation available.

Marion County will not consider any responses as a proposal, bid or quote. Any responses received as a result of this Notice of Intent shall be considered solely for determining whether bona fide competition exists.

Close Date/Time: July 21, 2026, by 3:00 PM

All responses must be submitted electronically through the County's e-procurement platform, EUNA Procurement (formerly Bonfire), at <https://marionfl.bonfirehub.com>. Paper, emailed, faxed, or hand-delivered responses will not be accepted. For more information, contact, Marion County Procurement, 2631 SE Third Street, Ocala, FL 34471, (352) 671-8444. If reasonable accommodations are needed for persons with disabilities, please contact the ADA Coordinator/HR Director at least forty-eight (48) hours in advance at (352) 438-2345, so appropriate arrangements can be made.

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Marion County Board of County Commissioners

Procurement Services

2631 Third St.
Ocala, FL 34471
Phone: 352-671-8444
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Date: 07/14/2026 - 07/21/2026

Project Number: 26SS-111 HIVENT, HIBOCS, HICARB, and HIVON Odor Control Equipment, Media, Parts, Services

Commodity or Services Required: HIVENT, HIBOCS, HICARB, and HIVON units and their associated components.

Intended Single Sole Source: Heyward Florida Incorporated

The description of goods/services intended for purchase from a Sole Source is posted in accordance with Florida Statute 287.057 and the Marion County Procurement Manual and will be posted for a minimum of 5 days.

This is not a request for bids or proposal and there is no solicitation available. Marion County will not consider any responses as a proposal, bid or quote. Any responses received as a result of this Notice of Intent shall be considered solely for determining whether bona fide competition exists.

Interested vendors (firms or individuals) that can provide the goods/services can respond with sufficient detailed documentation, regarding their ability to supply equivalent commodities or services.

Marion County Procurement intends to utilize the Sole Source Procurement method to HIVENT, HIBOCS, HICARB, and HIVON Odor Control Equipment, Media, Parts, Services from Heyward Florida Incorporated

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "S. Olsen".

Thank you,
Susan Olsen,
Procurement Services Director

26SS-111 Solicitation Waiver

Final Audit Report

2026-07-27

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