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To: Jim Scholl, City Manager
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From: John Paul Castro, Utilities Director


Date: 3/25/2015

Reference: Rockwell VFD Drive from Rexel

Purchasing Code 2-797 (1) b. states, "A contract may be awarded without competition when the department head makes a written determination and the purchasing agent verifies that, after conducting a good faith review of available sources, there is only one source for the required commodity or contractual service."

The drive portion of the variable frequency drive system at the City of Key West waste water treatment plant has failed. Rockwell makes the drive component and is the only brand that will "plug and play" into the VFD system without costly complete system replacement. Rexel is the areas sole distributor for the Rockwell drive. The cost of the drive is \$53,706.00.

Staff acquired pricing for an alternate brand drive from Square D at \$69,853.50. Therefore, staff believes the price from Rexel for the Rockwell drive is fair and reasonable.


Approved by John Paul Castro,
Utilities Director


Date