

LEE COUNTY PORT AUTHORITY
UTILIZATION OF OTHER COMPETITIVELY PROCURED CONTRACTS

Vendor(s): John Deere Const. Retail Sales.

Board Approval Req'd: ✓ No

Lead Agency: Sourcewell

Contract #/Title: #011723-JDC Loader Backhoes, equipment, and support

Term: Expires April 14, 2027

Renewal(s): (1) 1-year option available

Procurement Mgr: Robert M. George

NOTICE OF WRITTEN DETERMINATION

Product/Service being requested (if a recurring purchase, describe the scope of work/services):

Purchase of replacement Loader Backhoe (17C0T 320P) with options for LCPA Maintenance Department

The cooperative or piggyback contract has been evaluated and found to be appropriate because:

- ☒ Competitive requirements have been met
- ☒ Conforms to all applicable laws and best practices
- ☒ Specs, price, terms, and conditions produce best value
- ☒ The lead agency has been contacted and has verified eligibility
- ☒ There are no known vendor performance or contract compliance issues
- ☒ The vendor is appropriately insured and licensed to do business in the State of Florida
- ☒ Other. LCPA Purchasing Manual Section 5.3 allows utilization of other competitively procured contracts when the Procurement Manager determines the contract authorizes such use and it is in the best interest of the Authority.

Sourcewell, a State of Minnesota local government unit and service cooperative, requested proposals for Heavy Construction Equipment with Related Attachments and Technology, and support to result in a contracting solution for use by its Participating Entities. Sourcewell Participating Entities include thousands of governmental, higher education, K-12 education, nonprofit, tribal government, and other public agencies located in the United States.

This procurement method is in the best interest of LCPA because of the following advantages:

The Authority will be able to enjoy competitive pricing solicited by Sourcewell, a governmental agency organized for the purpose of assisting public agencies in meeting needs more efficiently. Utilization of this agreement allows the Authority to leverage the benefits of obtaining excellent pricing. Purchasing cooperatives have several advantages, including, but not limited to

- National Contract that allows us to use a local vendor to procure items
- Aggregated buying power of public agencies
- A more expedited and streamlined process for Procurement and operating staff versus issuing an independent solicitation.
- Cost savings - save administrative costs from not having to conduct our own solicitation.

Approved by: Robert M. George Date 07/15/2024

Robert M. George, Procurement Manager