

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

### **Recommendation to Approve Extension of Bid 13-044T - Pool Chemicals and Supplies**

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Invitation to Bid (ITB) 17-117C – 13-044T - Pool Chemicals and Supplies, was approved for award by The School Board of Broward County, Florida, on March 18, 2013, as Post Board Approval for a three (3) year term from March 18, 2013 through March 31, 2016, with an award amount of \$600,000. Additionally, this ITB has been approved for two (2) additional one-year renewals. The first renewal was approved at The Regular School Board meeting on February 9, 2016, extending the contract term until March 31, 2017. The second renewal was approved at The Regular School Board meeting on March 21, 2017, extending the contract term until March 31, 2018.

ITB 13-044T - Pool Chemicals and Supplies is utilized by the Athletics & Student Activities department to provide pool chemicals as needed to maintain District pools and ensure compliance with Broward County Health Department (BCHD) regulations. Chemicals under the scope of this Bid include chlorine, sodium hypochlorite, sulfuric acid, and cyanuric acid powder for the proper balance of pools.

The Athletics & Student Activities department manages the chemical maintenance of fifteen (15) pools located on school campuses throughout the District. Gomez Chemicals, Inc. d/b/a Beach-O-Rama, a Small/Minority/Women Business Enterprise (S/M/WBE) certified vendor, provides the pool chemicals needed to ensure compliance with BCHD regulations, necessary for the proper balance of the pools.

In addition to this Bid, the Athletics Department manages ITB 17-044F – Swimming Pool Maintenance and Repairs, which expires on May 31, 2018. While ITB 13-044T is for the chemicals used to clean pools, 17-044F is used for the maintenance of selected schools as well as repairs. These two (2) bids have a synergy which can be used for leveraging costs overall. Procurement & Warehousing Services wants to merge these two (2) bids into one (1) single competitive solicitation, thus maximizing economies of scale of similar contracts and reducing administrative costs of managing one (1) single contract, instead of two (2).

ITB 13-044T includes an option to extend the contract for an additional six (6) months beyond the expiration date of the final renewal period, per Section 3, General Condition 31, Extension; and General Condition 31, Extension. In this case, the original contract term.

The Athletics Department is requesting School Board approval for an additional sixty (60) days beyond the five (5) year contract term of this Bid, beginning April 1, 2018 through May 31, 2018. An additional sixty (60) day period will allow continuity of the contract without disruption of services.