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## MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** April 23, 2019

TO: Cynthia M Morales, Office Manager Highway & Bridge Maintenance Division, Mosquito Control Section

- THRU: Sandy-Michael McDonald, Director Surv Office of Economic and Small Business Development
- FROM: Freddy Castillo, Small Business Development Manager

## SUBJECT: No CBE Goal for Mosquito Control Chemicals - Group 2

Broward County is seeking a vendor to furnish and deliver Mosquito Control Chemicals for the Broward County Highway and Bridge Maintenance Division's Mosquito Control Section, and other County agencies that may have a need of these products. All chemicals must be approved by the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and comply with OSHA 29 CFR 1910.147, OSHA 29 CFR 1910.1200 and Chapter 442, of the Florida Statutes.

A review of the Small Business Certified Firm Directory revealed six (6) certified County Business Enterprise (CBE) that provide extermination and pest control services, but none of them are retailers, wholesalers, or authorized distributors of mosquito control chemicals. Therefore, consistent with the Broward County Business Opportunity Act of 2012, as amended, Sec. 1-81.3 (1) (a), if there are fewer than two (2) certified CBEs available to participate in a specific project, no CBE goal will be applicable.

However, in accordance with Sec. 1-81.10 (a) (1) of the Broward County Business Opportunity Act, as amended, if a responsive, responsible bid is received from a certified CBE or SBE firm that is within ten percent (10%) of the lowest bid received from a non-CBE or non-SBE firm, the CBE or SBE shall be offered the opportunity to match the lowest responsive, responsible bid. The CBE or SBE firm shall be deemed the lowest responsive, responsible bidder. In addition, Section 1-81.10 (a) (2) states, in part, that if the Evaluation Committee determines that a non-CBE proposer, who responds to a Request for Proposal (RFP), is the highest-ranked proposer, and a responsive, responsible CBE receives a score within five percent (5%) of the non-CBE's score, the highest-ranked CBE proposer shall be considered the highest-ranked proposer and shall have the opportunity to proceed to negotiations with the County for award of the contract.

## This contract is not subject to the Broward County Workforce Investment Program.

If you have any concerns regarding available subcontracting opportunities, please contact our office at (954) 357-6400.

cc: Maribel Feliciano, Assistant Director, OESBD Oswaldo Casco, Small Business Development Supervisor, OESBD