

**NOTICE OF INTENDED DECISION
TO ENTER INTO A SINGLE SOURCE CONTRACT
(PUR 7778)**

This notice of intended decision to enter into a single source contract is posted in accordance with section 287.057(3)(c), Florida Statutes.

AGENCY: Northwest Florida Water Management District

TITLE: OTT Hydromet water level monitoring equipment

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Commodity or Service Required (commodity class and group, manufacturer, model, and description, as appropriate):

41114300 Hydrological Instruments

Sutron XLink 500 Logging Transmitter. Wi-Fi enabled multi-sensor input logger with data transmission via cellular service.

Sutron SatLink 3 Transmitter/Data Logger. Multi-sensor input data logger with transmission via GOES satellite.

OTT/Sutron EcoLog 1000 Water Level Logger is an integrated data logger and water level sensor with Bluetooth connectivity and data transmission via cellular service. The EcoLog 1000 is powered by a replaceable Li battery pack with exact battery level indicator and has a 10 year service life.

Requestor (division, bureau, office, individual, as appropriate):

Steven Costa, Program Manager, Hydrologic Data Services

Performance and/or Design Requirements (intended use, function or application, compatibility etc. requirements; reference to policy, rule, statute or other act of the Legislature, etc., as appropriate):

Equipment is needed for remote logging of hydrologic data to be telemetered to and accepted by Aquarius software for near real-time updates on field conditions. The XLink 500 logger provides multiple interfaces and protocols (HTTP, TCP/IP, FTP) for communication and three levels of security configuration. The SatLink 3 loggers transmit data using the GOES Satellite Network with an assigned and unique address. It is required that District data loggers can communicate using the

LinkComm Software to be compatible with our current network. Both the XLink and SatLink units have sensor interfaces which allow connection to SDI-12, RS-232, and RS-485 devices which can be programmed using LinkComm software run on field laptop computers, tablets, or cell phones. The data can be telemetered over the Verizon network with a removable SIM card or downloaded through Bluetooth connection while on site.

Intended source (vendor, contractor):

OTT HydroMet

Price:

Up to \$115,400.00

Justification for single source acquisition (what is necessary and unique about the product, service or source; steps taken to confirm unavailability of competition, as appropriate)

XLink 500 units have removable modems that can accept provisioned SIM cards and allows interchangeability between units. The units communicate using LinkComm software which allows continuity in programming with existing deployed equipment. The SatLink 3 units also use the LinkComm software for data download and programming. The EcoLog 1000 is able to accept a uniquely assigned Verizon SIM card which can be transferred between any EcoLog 1000 unit. The XLink, SatLink and EcoLog data loggers manufactured by OTT Hydromet are uniquely able to provide real time data to our network due to their compatibility with our Aquarius software.

Approved By (names & titles, as appropriate, e.g., requestor, requestor management, information systems, budget, purchasing)

Steve Costa, Manager, Hydrologic Data Services

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