MEMORANDUM

To: Hernando County Purchasing and Contracts Department

From: Bruce Batten, Chief Water and Wastewater Plant Operator

Date: March 26, 2025

Re: Huber Step Screen / Justification and Explanation

HCUD needs to rebuild the Huber Step Screen located at the Airport WRF. The Huber Step Screen is approximately eight years old and must have preventative maintenance performed to it before there's catastrophic failure. The Step Screen is responsible for removing the debris from the Plant Influent (Raw Sewage) that enters the plant. Without this piece of equipment being fully operational it will cause mayor damage to pumps, analyzers and clog pipes. MKI Services is the only Sole Source Provider for Huber Technology in the State of Florida.

Should you require additional information, please contact me. Thank you.

Regards,

Bruce Batten

Chief Water and Wastewater Plant Operator

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