## **MEMORANDUM**

To: Hernando County Purchasing and Contracts Department

From: Bruce Batten, Chief Water and Wastewater Plant Operator

Date: January 27, 2025

Re: Hach Company Justification and Explanation

HCUD is requesting the goods purchasing agreement with the Hach Company be renewed for another three years to ensure there is no elapse time in service with the old agreement. This agreement is needed for the purpose for purchasing of analyzers, meters, equipment, equipment repairs and calibrations. Over 95% of the county's Water and Wastewater facilities use Hach equipment for all the of its process control and continuous monitoring systems. Without this equipment we will not be able to meet our strict AWT obligations set forth by FDEP. This is the only economically feasible option staff can find at this time.

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

Regards,

Bruce Batten

Chief Water and Wastewater Plant Operator

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