

# DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

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Director

January 9, 2007

Marin County Board of Supervisors  
3501 Civic Center Drive  
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**SUBJECT:** Single Source Purchase of Supplies for Health & Human Services

**Dear Board Members:**

**RECOMMENDATION:** Approve the renewal of a Blanket Purchase Agreement in an amount not to exceed \$100,000 for the single source purchase of reagents and supplies for medical diagnostic testing from Becton Dickinson Diagnostic Systems (BDDS) of Sparks, MD for the Department of Health & Human Services.

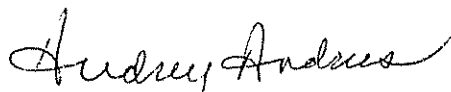
**SUMMARY:** BDDS continues to be the single source for specific diagnostic testing supplies as it has the only reagents and supplies that work with the BD Probe Tech equipment used in the H&HS laboratory. Two other companies were evaluated in February, 2003 and again in November, 2006. Roche Diagnostic's PCR system is still not approved for Marin County testing requirements, and GenProbe's diagnostic products are labor intensive and more expensive than BDDS. Orders will be placed as-needed by Health and Human Services' Communicable Disease and Public Health Laboratory for a 17-month term beginning August 1, 2006 and ending December 31, 2007.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** Funding is available in Cost Center #1000101100, Account #5220715. Requisition #0010002531 in the amount of \$65,000 is planned for orders in the 2006-2007 fiscal year. A Requisition for the remaining "not to exceed" amount of \$35,000 for the 2007-2008 fiscal year will be created in June, 2007.

**REVIEWED BY:**

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<input type="checkbox"/>	County Counsel	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A
<input type="checkbox"/>	Human Resources	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A

Respectfully Submitted,



Audrey Andrus  
Supervising Purchaser

cc: H&HS - James Villella  
REQUISITION # 0010002531



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