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Dahlia:

After reviewing the bids and doing some comparison of the specification sheet on the 2 different monitors that were bid, I am suggesting that we purchase the MiniRae3000 from FarrWest. Below is my justification.

First, the reason I chose the MiniRae 3000 over the Ion Science Tiger:

MiniRae – US and Canada UL listing for Division 1 class 1, intrinsically safe for operation in a flammable atmosphere

Ion Science – only intrinsically safe by European approval

MiniRae – IP67 rated for decontamination after use when turned off, IP65 rating while running

Ion Science – Only IP65 rated for heavy rain

MiniRae –Bluetooth capable for wireless communication that can hook into our current system for monitoring

Ion Science – Wireless Communication is coming in the Future

MiniRae – Compatible with our current charging and calibration systems

Ion Science – Not compatible

Now for the vendor:

Looking at the 2 vendors that offered the MiniRae 3000, FarrWest was approx. \$700 cheaper for the 2 units and that included the 3 days of onsite training. GeoTech had an additional charge for the onsite training.

Please let me know if you need any more information. Marty, please give any other input you see fit.
Thanks

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