

Thursday, February 17, 2011

Purchasing Office RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 37

Subject: Authorize award and execution of a 24-month requirements supply contract with DPC INDUSTRIES COMPANY, Cleburne, TX for the supply of liquid chlorine in bulk truckload quantities for the Austin Water Utility in an amount not to exceed \$1,515,520, with two 12-month extension options in amounts not to exceed \$757,760 per extension option, for a total agreement amount not to exceed \$3,031,040.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding in the amount of \$505,173 is available in the Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Operating Budget of the Austin Water Utility. Funding for the remaining sixteen months of the original contract period and extension options is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

Fiscal Note: There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

For More Information: Sydney Ceder, Sr. Buyer/974 2035

Purchasing Language: Sole bid received.

MBE/WBE: This contract will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9D of the City Code (Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). No subcontracting opportunities were identified; therefore, no goals were established for this solicitation.

Boards and Commission Action: Recommended by the Water and Wastewater Commission.

This contract establishes an annual supply agreement to provide liquid chlorine in bulk truckload quantities to the Austin Water Utility's Ullrich Water Treatment Plant. The City uses liquid chlorine to disinfect the drinking water. The chlorine will be supplied on an as needed basis in truckloads and stored in three chlorine storage tanks at the facility.

The product complies with the American National Standards Institute/American Water Works Association Standard B301-10, which is the standard for chlorine used for the treatment of drinking water. It also meets the American National Standard Institute/National Sanitation Foundation Standard 60, which governs the use of direct and indirect additives for the treatment of drinking water.

MBE/WBE solicited: 2/0

MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

PRICE ANALYSIS

a. Sole bid.

b. Thirty-four notices were sent, including three MBEs. There are no known WBEs. One bid was received with no response from the MBEs.

c. The pricing offered represents a 3% decrease from the last contract award December 2006. DPC Industries Company is the current provider of this item.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

a. Sole bid received.

b. The Purchasing Office concurs with the Austin Water Utility's recommended award.

c. Advertised in the Austin American-Statesman and on the Internet.