

AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL

AGENDA



Thursday, August 24, 2006

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Purchasing Office RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

ITEM No. 36

Subject: Authorize award and execution of a 24-month requirements supply contract with BOC GASES, A DIVISION OF THE BOC GROUP, INC, Murray Hill, NJ for the purchase of liquid carbon dioxide for the Austin Water Utility for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$474,880.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding in the amount of \$19,787 is in the Fiscal Year 2005-2006 Approved Operating Budget of the Austin Water Utility. Funding for the remaining 23 months of the original contract period is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

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

Additional Backup Material

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[BOC GASES BID TAB](#)

For More Information: Stephen Aden, Supervising Senior Buyer
974-2021

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.

This contract is to provide liquid carbon dioxide for the Austin Water Utility on an as needed basis. Liquid carbon dioxide is used by the Austin Water Utility to stabilize the drinking water during treatment to prevent calcium carbonant or scale from being deposited in the distribution system. The liquid carbon dioxide will be delivered to and used at the Ullrich and Davis Water Treatment Plants.

The product complies with the American Water Works Association Standard B510, which is the standard for liquid carbon dioxide used for the treatment of drinking water. It also meets the National Sanitation Foundation Standard 60 which governs the use of direct and indirect additives for the treatment of drinking water.

MBE/WBE solicited: 0/0 MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

PRICE ANALYSIS a. Sole bid received. The other firm that has bid in the past stated that it could not get pricing from its suppliers prior to the bid opening. b. Seven notices were sent. There are no MBEs/WBE available for this commodity. One solicitation was issued. One bid was received. c. The pricing offered represents a 29% increase to the last contract award May 2005. The increase can be attributed to increased costs in production of chemicals and transportation.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION a. Sole bid received. b. The Purchasing Office concurs with Austin Water Utility's recommended award. c. Advertised in the Austin American-Statesman and on the Internet.

AGENDA DATE: 08/24/06
VENDOR NAME: BOC GASES

BID TABULATION
IFB NO. SA06100099
Liquid Carbon Dioxide

<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>QTY</u>	<u>UNIT PRICE</u>	<u>TOTAL BID PRICE</u>
BOC Gases Murray Hill, NJ	4,240 Tons	\$112.00	\$474,880.00