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Purchasing Office RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

ITEM No 34

Subject Authorize award and execution of a contract through the HOUSTON-GALVESTON AREA COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (H-GAC) with FISHER SCIENTIFIC COMPANY, Pittsburg, PA, for the purchase of one self-contained decontamination trailer in an amount not to exceed \$76,148 56

Amount and Source of Funding Funding in the amount of \$70,592 97 is available in the Fiscal Year 2005 Metropolitan Medical Response System (MMRS) grant This is a Federal grant under the Department of Homeland Security Funding in the amount of \$5,555 59 is available in the Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Operating Budget of the Austin Fire Department

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

Additional Backup Material

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No Attachments Available

For More Information Ron Mazzarella, Fleet Buyer/974-2837

Purchasing Language Cooperative Purchase

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) This contract is a Cooperative Purchase, therefore, it is exempted under Chapter 252 022 of the Texas Local Government Code and no goals were established for this solicitation

This contract is for the purchase of one self-contained decontamination trailer that will be assigned to the Special Operations Division of the Austin Fire Department It will support Austin Fire, Police, and EMS in hazardous material operations This trailer will provide mass decontamination of fifty or more civilians and/or emergency workers per hour in the event of intentional or accidental exposure to dangerous chemicals Exposed persons will pass through a contaminated area for undressing and storage of contaminated clothing, a decontamination solution application area for chemical showering, a rinse area, and a clean area for drying off and dressing into clean clothing Obviously, timing is a critical factor in dangerous chemical exposure incidents Two personnel can have this self-contained unit fully functioning in fewer than 10 minutes after arrival at the contaminated site

Fisher Scientific is under contract with H-GAC to supply various types of safety equipment statewide as a result of a competitive bidding process Utilizing H-GAC contracts provides for volume discount pricing as well as the earliest opportunity to get the City's equipment on order