

AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL AGENDA



Thursday, January 25, 2007

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Purchasing Office RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

ITEM No 22

Subject Authorize award and execution of a 12-month requirements supply contract with NORIT AMERICAS INC , Marshall, TX, for the purchase of powdered activated carbon for the Austin Water Utility in an estimated amount not to exceed \$366,080, with two 12-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$457,600 per extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$1,281,280

Amount and Source of Funding Funding in the amount of \$244,054 is available in the Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Operating Budget of the Austin Water Utility. Funding for the remaining four months of the original contract period and extension options is contingent upon the 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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NORIT_BID_TAB

For More Information Steve Aden, Supervising Sr Buyer, 974-2021

Purchasing Language Lowest bid of five bids 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 will provide the Austin Water Utility (AWU) with a readily available supply of powdered activated carbon. Powdered activated carbon is a non-toxic water treatment chemical used to control taste and odor in treated tap water. This chemical has been approved by the Environmental Protection Agency and the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality. AWU stores limited amounts of this chemical at each of the City's water treatment plants. This contract will ensure that AWU has an adequate amount of powdered activated carbon on hand to provide high quality drinking water to its customers.

MBE/WBE sent 1/1 MBE/WBE bid 0/0

PRICE ANALYSIS a Adequate competition b Forty-six notices were sent, including one MBE and one WBE. Five solicitations were issued. Five bids were received, with no response from MBE/WBE. One "No Bid" was received. c The current pricing represents a 20% increase to the last purchase made in July 2006. This can be attributed to the increase in production and transportation cost.

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

AGENDA DATE 01/25/07
VENDOR NAME: NORIT Americas Inc

BID TABULATION

IFB No STA0008

Supply of Powdered Activated Carbon
(Qty - 440 Tons)

<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>UNIT COST</u> <u>180 Tons</u> <u>Davis WTP</u>	<u>UNIT COST</u> <u>260 Tons</u> <u>Green/Green WTP</u>	<u>TOTAL BID</u>
NORIT Americas Inc Marshall, TX	\$832	\$832	\$366 080
Cal-Pacific Carbon LLC Fields Landing, CA	\$890	\$870	\$386 400
Univar USA Dallas, TX	\$1,280	\$1,280	\$563,200
Envirotrol Inc Sewickley, PA	\$1,340	\$1,220	\$558,400
Klenzoid Equip Co Wayne, PA	\$1,755	\$1,655	\$746,200