

**E** Environment Committee  
Meeting date: July 24, 2012

For the Metropolitan Council Meeting of August 8, 2012

**ADVISORY INFORMATION**

<b>Date:</b>	July 17, 2012
<b>Subject:</b>	Authorization to Issue a Purchase Order Change to Polydyne, Inc. to provide Polymer for the Empire and Eagles Point Wastewater Treatment Plants
<b>District(s), Member(s):</b>	12 – Harry Melander; 16 – Wendy Wulff
<b>Policy/Legal Reference:</b>	Council Policy 3-3 Expenditures – Procurement of Goods and Services Over \$250,000
<b>Staff Prepared/Presented:</b>	Larry Rogacki, 602-8225/Micky Gutzmann, 602-1741
<b>Division/Department:</b>	MCES c/o Leisa H. Thompson, 602-8101

**Proposed Action:**

That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to issue purchase order changes to PO Numbers 08007420 and 08007421 with Polydyne, Inc. to provide Clarifloc CE-1427 and CE-1250 polymer to the Empire and Eagles Point WWTPs, respectively.

**Background**

Polymer is a conditioning chemical, which aids in the removal of water while processing sludge solids on mechanical equipment such as Centrifuges, Gravity Belt Thickeners and Belt Presses.

A formal, advertised Invitation for Bids (IFB) was issued for this procurement. Procurement of polymer involves receipt of sealed bids, followed by a full-scale evaluation of polymer performance, followed by an evaluation of bids to identify the most effective polymer at the lowest cost to the Council.

At the conclusion of the IFB/Evaluation a purchase order was issued to Polydyne, Inc. for a period of two-years.

The terms of the IFB include a clause for three 1-year options to extend the purchase orders. Two of the three options to extend have already been approved and executed. This is the final option to extend under the terms of the IFB issued in 2008.

The purchase order changes extend the term of the POs for a final one-year period. Total cost for the one-year extension is \$248,500 (\$238,000 for Empire and \$10,500 for Eagles Point).

**Rationale**

Full scale testing was run in 2008 at the Empire Plant. Polymer full scale testing is very labor intensive and time consuming for operations staff and it is recommended to extend the purchase orders for an additional one-year period.

**Funding**

Funds are available in the annual operating budget of each plant (2012 and 2013 budgets).

**Known Support / Opposition**

None