



Environment Committee

Item: 2012-122

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of April 25, 2012

ADVISORY INFORMATION

Date Prepared: April 11, 2012

Subject: Authorization to Purchase Process Chemicals for Metropolitan Council Environmental Services Facilities

Proposed Action:

That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to issue purchase orders to the following companies:

- Hawkins Chemicals, Inc. for the procurement of Sodium Hydroxide Solution (Caustic Soda), Ferric Chloride, Muriatic Acid, Sulfuric Acid, and Ammonium Hydroxide in the amount of \$3,865,173;
- DPC Industries for Sodium Hypochlorite in the amount of \$ 2,237,270;
- C&S Chemicals, Inc. for Aluminum Sulfate in the amount of \$ 1,902,625; and
- PVS Chemical Solutions, Inc. for Sodium Bisulfite in the amount of \$ 777,480.

Summary of Committee Discussion / Questions:

Staff explained that the chemicals used at each facility are determined by the method of treatment. Some chemicals are used as a disinfectant, for air pollution control, or as a cleaning agent. Safety measures are employed during use, and chemicals are stored in chemical resistant tanks.

Motion to approve the proposed action was made, seconded, and passed unanimously.

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Meeting date: April 10, 2012

For the Metropolitan Council Meeting of April 25, 2012

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Date:	April 4, 2012
Subject:	Authorization to Purchase Process Chemicals for Metropolitan Council Environmental Services Facilities
District(s), Member(s):	All
Policy/Legal Reference:	Council Policy 3-3 Expenditures – Procurement of Goods and Services Over \$250,000
Staff Prepared/Presented:	Micky Gutzmann, 651-602-1741
Division/Department:	MCES C/O William G. Moore, 651-602-1162

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Background

Bids were solicited to supply several process chemicals for MCES facilities for a three-year period. A formal Invitation for Bids was issued and responses were obtained from five potential suppliers, of which four were successful. Responders were able to bid on one or all chemicals. The lowest responsive, responsible bidders are as shown in the proposed action.

Rationale

Procurement of goods and services for amounts exceeding \$250,000 requires Council approval.

Funding

The purchase orders will be for a period of two years at a fixed price and an optional additional year with a 10% cap for price increases.

Estimated expenditures for these process chemicals are \$8,782,548 over the three-year period. Funds are available through the annual operating budget of each facility utilizing the chemicals.

Known Support / Opposition

None.