SW Item: 2008 - 366

Environment Committee

Meeting date: December 9, 2008

For the Metropolitan Council Meeting of December 10, 2008

ADVISORY INFORMATION

Date: December 2, 2008

Subject: Authorization to Award a Sole Source to Hawkins and Execute a

Purchase Order for Liquid Alum for Eagles Point Wastewater

Treatment Plant

District(s), Member(s): All

Policy/Legal Reference: Council Policy 3-3 Expenditures – Procurement of Goods and

Services Over \$250,000

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Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to award and execute a Sole Source Purchase Order with Hawkins in an amount not to exceed \$327,549 to provide liquid alum in 330 gallon totes to Eagles Point Wastewater Treatment Plant for the period of December 15, 2008 through December 31, 2009.

Background

Liquid Alum is used in the treatment of wastewater for the removal of phosphorus. This chemical is available from several vendors but the others deliver in bulk only. Eagles Point requires the alum be delivered in 330 gallon totes. Because Hawkins is the only vendor able to deliver the alum in these totes they are a sole source vendor for this chemical.

Rationale

Eagles Point Wastewater Treatment Plant requires liquid alum for the removal of phosphorus on a continuous basis. Alum usage is based on 350 gallons per day X 365 days a year @ \$2.46 per gallon.

Contracts with an amount exceeding \$250,000 require Metropolitan Council authorization.

Funding

Funds are available in the annual operating budget of the Eagles Point Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Known Support / Opposition

None.