The City of Columbus, Division of Power and Water uses a water distribution monitoring system for continuous monitoring of vital distribution points in our supply network. This solution allows us to detect and respond to water quality and contamination events ensuring safe water to our customers. Specifications were updated and an Invitation to Bid (ITB) with assigned number SA002174 was prepared. The ITB was advertised and opened October 12, 2006. Two bids were received.

Rosemount Analytical\$31,671.00 (price in words) Hach Company \$43,822.08

The apparent low bid was Rosemount Analytical, Inc. However after reviewing the bid Rosemount Analytical Inc. does not meet the specifications in several areas. They indicated on line 3.3.1.4 that their system cannot be expanded to include a total organic carbon analyzer or an autosampler. The bid did not include a free standing wheeled rack, line 3.3.6.3. The pH meter didn't meet any of our specifications, lines 3.3.4.1-3.3.4.3. Overall their bid indicated "no" on 10 out of the 26 specifications.

The second low bid submitted by Hach Company. It is in the City's best interest to award this contract to the lowest responsive, responsible and best bid as follows:

Supplier CC# Items to be Awarded

Hach Company 42-0704420 All Items

If there are any questions, please contact Matt Steele at 645-3851.