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**BACKGROUND:** This legislation authorizes the Finance and Management Director to establish a Universal Term Contract (UTC) for the option to purchase Liquid Oxygen with Airgas USA LLC. The Division of Water is the sole user of Liquid Oxygen, used as an oxidation agent for potable water at water treatment plants. The term of the proposed option contract would be approximately three (3) years, expiring March 31, 2022, with the option to renew for one (1) additional year. The Purchasing Office opened formal bids on January 10, 2019. In addition, the expenditure of \$1.00 is hereby authorized from General Budget Reservation BRPO000978.

The Purchasing Office advertised and solicited competitive bids in accordance with the relevant provisions of Section 329 relating to competitive bidding (Request for Quotation No. RFQ010968). One (1) bid was received.

The Purchasing Office is recommending award to the overall lowest, responsive, responsible and best bidder as follows:

Airgas USA LLC, CC# 009314 expires 1/15/2021, All Items, \$1.00  
Total Estimated Annual Expenditure: \$435,000, Division of Water, the sole user

The company is not debarred according to the Excluded Party Listing System of the Federal Government or prohibited from being awarded a contract according to the Auditor of State Unresolved Findings for Recovery Certified Search.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** The expenditure of \$1.00 is hereby authorized from General Budget Reservation BRPO000978. City Agencies will be required to obtain approval to expend from their own appropriations for their estimated annual expenditures.

To authorize the Finance and Management Director to enter into a Universal Term Contract for the option to purchase Liquid Oxygen with Airgas USA, LLC; and to authorize the expenditure of \$1.00 from General Budget Reservation BRPO000978. (\$1.00).

**WHEREAS,** the Liquid Oxygen UTC will provide for the purchase of material used as an oxidation agent for potable water at two water treatment plants; and

**WHEREAS,** the Purchasing Office advertised and solicited formal bids on January 10, 2019 and selected the overall lowest, responsive, responsible and best bidder; and

**WHEREAS,** it has become necessary in the daily operation of the Department of Public Utilities to authorize the Director of Finance and Management to enter into a Universal Term Contract for the option to purchase Liquid Oxygen; **now, therefore**

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS:**

**SECTION 1.** That the Finance and Management Director is hereby authorized to enter into the following Universal Term Contract for the option to purchase Liquid Oxygen in accordance with Request for Quotation RFQ010968 for a term of approximately three (3) years, expiring March 31, 2022, with the option to renew for one (1) additional year, as follows:

Airgas USA LLC, All Items, \$1.00

**SECTION 2.** That the expenditure of \$1.00 is hereby authorized from General Budget Reservation BRPO000978 of this ordinance to pay the cost thereof.

**SECTION 3.** That the funds necessary to carry out the purpose of this ordinance are hereby deemed appropriated, and the City Auditor shall establish such accounting codes as necessary.

**SECTION 4.** That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.