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Legislation Text

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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 Soda Ash with Bonded Chemicals, Inc. The Division of Water is the sole user for Soda Ash, used as a softening agent for potable water at three (3) water treatment plants. The term of the proposed option contract would be approximately three (3) years, expiring March 31, 2026, with the option to renew for one (1) additional year. The Purchasing Office opened formal bids on January 12, 2023. In addition, the expenditure of \$1.00 is hereby authorized from General Budget Reservation BRPO002025.

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. RFQ023680). Three (3) bids were received.

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

Bonded Chemicals, Inc., CC# 009693 expires 3/10/23, All Items, \$1.00
Total Estimated Annual Expenditure: \$325,000, Division of Water, the sole user

Emergency Designation: The Finance and Management Department respectfully requests this legislation to be considered an emergency ordinance in insure a continued reliable supply of materials necessary for clean drinking water for the City of Columbus service area.

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 BRPO002025. 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 contract for the option to purchase Soda Ash with Bonded Chemicals, Inc.; to authorize the expenditure of \$1.00; and to declare an emergency. (\$1.00).

WHEREAS, the Soda Ash UTC will provide for the purchase of bulk treatment chemicals used as a softening agent for drinking water in the Columbus service area; and,

WHEREAS, the Purchasing Office advertised and solicited formal bids on January 12, 2023 and selected the overall lowest, responsive, responsible and best bidder; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Public Utilities in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the Finance and Management Director to enter into a Universal Term Contract for the option to purchase Soda Ash with Bonded Chemicals, Inc. in order to ensure a reliable source of materials used in water treatment for clean drinking water for the City of Columbus service area, thereby preserving the public health, peace, property, safety, and welfare; **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 contract for the option to purchase Soda Ash in accordance with Request for Quotation RFQ023680 for a term of approximately three (3) years, expiring March 31, 2026, with the option to renew for one (1) additional year, as follows:

Bonded Chemicals, Inc., All Items, \$1.00

SECTION 2. That the expenditure of \$1.00 is hereby authorized from General Budget Reservation BRPO002025 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 for the reason stated in the preamble hereto, which is hereby made a part hereof, this ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval by the Mayor, or ten days after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.