

City of Columbus

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Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: For the Purchase of Liquid Caustic Soda UTC for <u>Power and Water</u>. The term of the proposed option contract will be through March 31, 2008. The Purchasing Office opened formal bids on October 22, 2007.

The Purchasing Office advertised and solicited competitive bids in accordance with Section 329.06 (SA002665) Twelve (12) bidders were solicited; Three (3) bids were received, one (1) bid was non responsive to the specifications. No MBE/FBE/MBR companies are registered for this commodity.

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

<u>Univar USA, Inc.</u> FID#911347935 (expires May 10, 2008). Total Estimated Annual Expenditure: \$ 100,000.00

This company is not debarred according to the Federal Excluded Parties Listing or the State Auditor's Findings For Recovery Database.

This ordinance is being submitted as an emergency because, without emergency action, no less than 37 days will be added to this procurement cycle and the efficient delivery of valuable public services will be slowed.

FISCAL IMPACT: Funding to establish this option contract is budgeted in the Purchasing Contract Account. Power and Water will be required to obtain approval to expend from their own appropriations.

To authorize and direct the Finance and Management Director to enter into a UTC contract for the option to purchase Liquid Caustic Soda from Univar USA Inc. to authorize the expenditure of one (1) dollar to establish the contract from the Purchasing Contract Account, and to declare an emergency (\$1.00).

WHEREAS, the Purchasing Office advertised and solicited formal bids on October 22, 2008 and selected the lowest, responsive, responsible and best bid; and

WHEREAS, this ordinance addresses Purchasing objective of 1) maximizing the use of City resources by obtaining optimal products/services at low prices and 2) encouraging economic development by improving access to City bid opportunities and 3) providing effective option contracts for City agencies to efficiently maintain their supply chain and service to the public; and

WHEREAS, Liquid Caustic Soda is necessary as a softening agent in potable water, and plant repairs have caused the immediate need of an increased quantity, and for the continued health and well being of the citizens of Columbus, this is being submitted for consideration as an emergency measure; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Power and Water Agency in that it is immediately necessary to enter into a contract(s) for an option to purchase Liquid Caustic Soda , 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 be and is hereby authorized and directed to enter into the following contract (s) for an option to purchase Liquid Caustic Soda in accordance with Solicitation SA002665 as follows:

Univar USA, Inc., Item #3 only: Amount: \$1.00

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SECTION 2. That the expenditure of \$1.00 is hereby authorized from Purchasing Contract Account, Organization Level 1: 45-01, Fund: 05-517, Object Level 3: 2270, OCA: 451130, to pay the cost thereof.

SECTION 3. That for the reason stated in the preamble here to, 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.