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Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: The Division of Water requires the operators of our water treatment plants and distribution system to be licensed and trained professionals. They receive specialized water utility operations and maintenance training through the Operator Training Committee of Ohio (OTCO). OTCO is the State of Ohio's Environmental Training Center under the Clean Water Act. For this reason, the Division of Water would like to enter into a sole-source contract with the Operator Training Committee of Ohio, for specialized water utility operations and maintenance training, for Division personnel, in the amount of \$45,000.00. This contract shall run through March 31, 2006. The Contract Compliance Number for the Operator Training Committee of Ohio is 31-6065198. They do not have MBE/FBE status.

FISCAL IMPACT: The Division of Water has allocated \$45,000.00 for training with OTCO in the 2005 Budget. The Division has already encumbered \$20,000.00 to cover training needed before the 2005 budget passed, however, we would like to encumber an additional \$45,000.00 to cover us through March 2006, in order to have all funds encumbered at once.

\$ 40,000.00 was encumbered for this type of training during 2004.

\$ 20,000.00 was encumbered for this type of training during 2003.

To authorize the Director of Public Utilities to enter into a sole-source contract with the Operator Training Committee of Ohio (OTCO), for utility operations and maintenance training, in accordance with the sole source provisions of the Columbus City Code, for the Division of Water, and to authorize the expenditure of \$45,000.00 from Water Systems Operating Fund. (\$45,000.00)

WHEREAS, the Division of Water requires the operators of our water treatment plants and distribution system to be licensed and trained professionals, and

WHEREAS, they receive specialized water utility operations and maintenance training through the Operator Training Committee of Ohio (OTCO), which is the State of Ohio's Environmental Training Center under the Clean Water Act, and

WHEREAS, it has become necessary in the usual daily operation of the Division of Water, Department of Public Utilities, to authorize the Director of Public Utilities to enter into a sole-source contract for utility operations and maintenance training, from the Operator Training Committee of Ohio (OTCO), for the preservation of public health, peace, property and safety; now, therefore,

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

Section 1. That the Director of Public Utilities be and is hereby authorized to enter into a sole-source contract with the Operator Training Committee of Ohio (OTCO), for utility operations and maintenance training, in accordance with the sole source provisions of Section 329.07(e) of the Columbus City Code, for the Division of Water, Department of Public Utilities.

Section 2. That the expenditure of \$45,000.00 or as much thereof as may be needed, is hereby authorized from Water Works Fund 600, Department 60-09, OCA Code 602151, Object Level One 03, Object Level Three 3331, to pay the cost thereof.

Section 3. That this Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.