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Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: For the option to purchase Professional Laboratory Services for testing water and environmental samples for Giardia and Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants for the Division of Power and Water. These tests satisfy the requirements of the Federal Safe Water Drinking Act. The term of the proposed option contract will be through August 31, 2013 with the option to extend this contract for One (1) additional year subject to mutual agreement of both parties. The Purchasing Office opened formal bids on April 22, 2010.

The Purchasing Office advertised and solicited competitive bids in accordance with Section 329.06 (Solicitation No. SA003537). Fifty Five (55) Bids were solicited: (MBR-2, M1A-1, F1-1) Two (2) Bids were received.

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

Scientific Methods, Inc. CC#621479201 (expires 4-23-2012)

Total Estimated Annual Expenditure: \$45,000.00

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 Mail, Print Services and UTC Fund. The Division of Power and Water will be required to obtain approval to expend from their own appropriations for their estimated annual expenditures.

To authorize and direct the Finance & Management Director to enter into a contract for the option to purchase Professional Laboratory Services for testing water and environmental samples for Giardia and Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants on an as needed basis with Scientific Methods, Inc. to authorize the expenditure of One (1) dollar to establish the contracts from the Mail, Print Services and UTC Fund, and to declare an emergency. (\$1.00)

WHEREAS, the Purchasing Office advertised and solicited formal bids on April 22, 2010 and selected the lowest responsive, responsible and best bidder; 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 the purchase of Professional Laboratory Services for testing water and environmental samples for Giardia and Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants ; and

WHEREAS, these Professional Laboratory Services are necessary to allow the Division of Power and Water to test water and environmental samples for Giardia and Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants, this is being submitted for consideration as an emergency measure; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Division of Power and Water, in that it is immediately necessary to enter into contracts for an option to purchase Professional Laboratory Services for testing water and environmental samples for Giardia and Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants, 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 for an option to purchase Professional Laboratory Services for testing water and environmental samples for Giardia and Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants for the term ending August 31, 2013 with the option to extend this contract for One (1) additional year subject to mutual agreement of both parties in accordance with Solicitation No. SA003537 as follows:

Scientific Methods, Inc.All Items: Amount \$1.00

SECTION 2. That the expenditure of \$1.00 is hereby authorized from the Mail, Print Services and UTC Fund, 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.