



## Legislation Text

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**BACKGROUND:** This legislation authorizes the Finance and Management Director to establish two (2) Universal Term Contracts (UTCs) for the option to purchase Lab Supplies with Thomas Scientific LLC and VWR International, Inc. The lab supplies will be used in various City laboratories. The term of the proposed option contracts would be approximately two (2) years, expiring May 31, 2021, with the option to renew for one (1) additional year. The Purchasing Office opened formal bids on February 7, 2019. In addition, the expenditure of \$2.00 is hereby authorized from General Budget Reservation BRPO001107.

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. RFQ011169). Three (3) bids were received.

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

Thomas Scientific LLC, CC# CC026078 expires 2/6/2021, Categories 1-10, at discounts specified, \$1.00  
VWR International, Inc., CC# CC009378 expires 10/30/2019, Categories 1-10, at discounts specified, \$1.00

**Total Estimated Annual Expenditure:** \$300,000.00, Various City Agencies

Emergency Designation: The Finance and Management Department respectfully requests this legislation to be considered an emergency ordinance because the current contract expires May 31, 2019.

These companies are 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 \$2.00 is hereby authorized from General Budget Reservation BRPO001107. 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 two (2) contracts for the option to purchase Lab Supplies with Thomas Scientific LLC and VWR International, Inc.; to authorize the expenditure of \$2.00 from General Budget Reservation BRPO001107; and to declare an emergency. (\$2.00).

**WHEREAS,** the Lab Supplies UTC will provide for the purchase of supplies used in various City laboratories; and,

**WHEREAS,** the Purchasing Office advertised and solicited formal bids on February 7, 2019 and selected the overall lowest, responsive, responsible and best bidders; and

**WHEREAS,** an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the various City laboratories in that it is necessary to authorize the Finance and Management Director to immediately enter into two (2) Universal Term Contracts for the option to purchase Lab Supplies due to the imminence of the contract expiration, 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 Lab Supplies in accordance with Request for Quotation RFQ011169 for a term of approximately two (2) years, expiring May 31, 2019, with the option to renew for one (1) additional year, as follows:

Thomas Scientific LLC, Categories 1-10, at discounts specified, \$1.00  
VWR International, Inc., Categories 1-10, at discounts specified, \$1.00

**SECTION 2.** That the expenditure of \$2.00 is hereby authorized from General Budget Reservation BRPO001107 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.