

Environment Committee

Meeting date: May 12, 2015

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of May 27, 2015

Subject: Authorization to Award and Execute a Contract to Purchase Nitrate Salts and Odor Control Services for the Interceptor Services Business Unit

District(s), Member(s): All

Policy/Legal Reference: Council Policy 3-3 (Expenditures)

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Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council authorize its Regional Administrator to issue a purchase order to Evoqua Water Technologies Inc. not to exceed \$6,675,000 to provide nitrate salts, odor control equipment and odor control services at a unit price of \$0.7171 per pound to Interceptor Services for the period June 01, 2015 through May 31, 2018.

Background

A formal, advertised invitation for bids was issued for this procurement on March 05, 2015.

One bid from Evoqua was received on March 25, 2015. The unit price bid for nitrate salts and odor control services was \$0.7171 per pound of nitrate oxygen (NO₃-N). The current bid from Evoqua is 9.1% higher in unit cost basis compared with their bid in 2012.

There were four registered document holders for this project. Evoqua Water Technologies was the only vendor to submit a bid. Univar BCS, Hawkins, Inc., and U.S. Peroxide, LLC were the other three vendors who held plans, but declined to bid.

The purchase order will be for a period of two years with an option to renew for one additional one-year period. Estimated expenditures for this procurement are approximately \$2,225,000 annually with an estimated cost for three years at \$6,675,000.

Rationale

The Interceptor Services Facilities' collect and convey wastewater from Communities across the Metropolitan Area to various wastewater treatment plants. These Services will minimize the odorous impacts of conveying domestic wastewater through these Communities and further assist in reducing the corrosive impacts of these compounds on the integrity of conveyance system.

Funding

Funds are available in the annual operating budgets of the Interceptor Services Business Unit.

Known Support / Opposition

None