



CITY OF DURHAM | NORTH CAROLINA

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To: Thomas J. Bonfield, City Manager

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Subject: Bids – Term Contract for Sodium Hypochlorite (936,000 gallons)

Executive Summary

The contract under consideration will furnish/provide the City with its estimated two year requirements for Sodium Hypochlorite. Sodium Hypochlorite (Chlorine) is used to kill pathogenic bacteria and viruses that could be harmful if present in the drinking water.

JCI Jones Chemicals, Inc. of Charlotte, North Carolina was the lowest responsive bidder. The total cost of the contract is \$608,400.00. Funding for this contract is available from the operating budgets of the Water Management Department (5100P121.720300/ Brown Water Treatment Plant and 5100P122.720300/Williams Water Treatment Plant). There are no good alternatives to making this purchase. All bids received were competitive and within budget.

The Equal Opportunity/Equity Assurance Department reviewed the bid submitted by JCI Jones Chemicals, Inc. of Charlotte, North Carolina and determined they are in compliance with the Ordinance to Promote Equal Opportunities in City Contracting. There were no SDBEs to provide this product.

Recommendation

That the bid for the purchase of Sodium Hypochlorite in the amount of \$608,400.00 from JCI Jones Chemicals, Inc. be approved and the City Manager be authorized to execute all relevant contracts; and,

That the City Manager be authorized to modify the contract before execution provided that modifications do not increase the dollar amount of the contract and are consistent with the general intent of the existing version of the contract.

Background

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Issues/Analysis

The following bids were received for furnishing Sodium Hypochlorite: (936,000 gallons)

COMPANY		BID
JCI Jones Chemicals, Inc. Charlotte, NC	*	\$608,400.00 \$0.6500/per gallon
Univar USA Inc. Morrisville, PA		\$695,448.00 \$0.7430/per gallon

*Recommended Bid

Alternatives

There are no good alternatives to making this purchase. All bids received were competitive and within budget.

Financial Impact

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SDBE Summary

The Equal Opportunity/Equity Assurance Department reviewed the bid submitted by JCI Jones Chemicals of Charlotte, NC and determined they are in compliance with the Ordinance to Promote Equal Opportunities in City Contracting.

SDBE REQUIREMENTS

There were no SDBEs to provide this Product.

WORKFORCE STATISTICS

The workforce statistics for JCI Jones Chemicals are as follows:

Total Workforce	15	100%
Total Females	1	7%
Total Males	14	93%
Black Males	6	40%
White Males	8	53%
Other Males	0	0%
Black Females	0	0%
White Females	1	7%
Other Females	0	0%