

Agenda # :
Commission Meeting Date: May 7, 2013
CITY OF GREAT FALLS
COMMISSION AGENDA REPORT

Item: Purchase of Liquid Aluminum Sulfate

From: Water Treatment Plant

**Initiated By: Public Works Department** 

Presented By: Jim Rearden, Director of Public Works

**Action Requested: Approval of Bid** 

## **Suggested Motion:**

1. Commissioner moves:

"I move that the City Commission accept the low bid from Thatcher Company of Montana and authorize staff to purchase liquid aluminum sulfate in the amount of \$381 per dry ton for FY 2013/14."

2. Mayor calls for a second, discussion, inquiries from the public, and calls the vote.

**Staff Recommendation:** Staff recommends that the City Commission accept the low bid from Thatcher Company of Montana in the amount of \$381 per dry ton for liquid aluminum sulfate for FY 2013/14.

**Background:** Liquid aluminum sulfate is used in the water treatment process to coagulate suspended particles in the raw water stream to allow their removal. Specifications and bid materials were prepared for the purchase of liquid aluminum sulfate for the Water Treatment Plant for the upcoming fiscal year. Notices were sent out to all prospective bidders and publicly advertised. The bid from Thatcher Company of Montana, was acceptable as submitted.

Bids were accepted on April 17, 2013, for FY 2013/14 Water Treatment Plant chemical needs. Thatcher Company of Montana, with headquarters in Salt Lake City, Utah, provided the lowest acceptable bid for liquid aluminum sulfate at \$381 per dry ton. This Commission action would award a contract for FY 2013/14.

**Concurrences: not applicable** 

**Fiscal Impact:** This price reflects a 4.5% increase from the FY 2012/13 contract price. The new contract would allow for the purchase of a maximum of 800 dry tons for a total cost of \$304,800.

Alternatives: not applicable

**Attachments/Exhibits: Bid Tabulation** 



WATER PLANT

## BID TABULATION SUMMARY 2013 - WATER TREATMENT CHEMICALS

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Project #

Bids Taken at: Civic Center

Date: <u>4/17/2013</u>

Tabulated by <u>T. Filliater</u>

|   | Name & Address of Bidder   | 10% Bid<br>Security<br>(Yes/No) | Affidavit of<br>Non-<br>Collusion<br>(Yes/No) | <b>Delivery</b><br>(e.g. 7-10 Days ARO)                                 | Anhydrous<br>Ammonia<br>NH3 Bid<br>Price /LB | <b>Liquid Chlorine</b> Bid Price /Ton | Liquid Alum<br>Sulfate<br>Bid Price /Ton | Liquid Alum<br>Cert of<br>Chemical<br>Analysis<br>(Yes/No | Liquid Alum Cert of Compliance w ANSI/NSF Standard 60 (Yes/No) |
|---|--|---------------------------------|---|---|--|---------------------------------------|--|---|--|
| 1 | Univar USA, Inc.<br>8201 S. 212th<br>Kent, WA 98032                            | N                               | N   | N/A   | No Bid                                       | No Bid                                | No Bid                                   | N/A   | N/A  |
|   | Thatcher Company of Montana<br>P.O. Box 27407<br>Salat Lake City UT 84127-0407 | Y                               |   | Alum - 48 hrs ARO<br>NH3 - 7 - 10 days ARO<br>Chlorine - 7- 10 days ARO | \$1.522/lb                                   | \$623/Ton                             | \$381/Ton                                | Y   | Y  |
|   | Kemira Water Solutions, Inc.<br>3211 Clinton Pky. Ct. #1<br>Lawrence, KS 66047 | Y                               | Y   | Alum - 3-4 days ARO   | No Bid                                       | No Bid                                | \$417.03/Ton                             | Y   | Υ  |
|   | DPC Industries, Inc.<br>P.O. Box 509<br>Hudson, CO 80642-0509                  | Υ                               |   | NH3 - 10 days ARO<br>Chlorine - 10 days ARO                             | \$1.46/lb                                    | \$547/Ton                             | No Bid                                   | N/A   | N/A  |
|   | General Chemical<br>90 East Halsey Road<br>Parsippany, NJ 07054-3705           | Υ                               | Y   | Alum - 1 -2 days ARO  | No Bid                                       | No Bid                                | \$560/Dry Ton                            | Y   | Y  |
|   | Hawkins, Inc.<br>3100 E. Hennepin Ave.<br>Minneapolis, MN 55413-2922           | Y                               |   | NH3 - 1st and 3rd wk of month.  | \$1.49/lb                                    | No Bid                                | No Bid                                   | N/A   | N/A  |
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