

PUBLIC WORKS AND UTILITIES COMMITTEE

10-0037R

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CITY OFFICIALS TO CONTRACT WITH UNIVAR USA, INC., FOR 100,000 GALLONS OF CAUSTIC SODA FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$109,685.81.

CITY PROPOSAL:

RESOLVED, that city officials are hereby authorized to contract with Univar USA, Inc., for the purchase and delivery of 100,000 gallons of caustic soda in accordance with specifications and the vendor's low bid of \$102,630 plus 6.875 percent sales tax of \$7,055.81 for a combined total of \$109,685.81, terms net 30, FOB destination, payable from the Water Fund 510, Agency 500, Organization 1955, Object 5216-05.

Approved:

Approved for presentation to council:

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Director, Public Works & Utilities  
Purchasing Agent \_\_\_\_

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Chief Administrative Officer

Approved as to form:

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Attorney

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Auditor

PWU/PRCH DS:le 1/11/2010

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: This resolution authorizes the purchase of 100,000 gallons of caustic soda from Univar USA, Inc., for a total amount of 109,685.81, payable from the water fund.

This chemical is used for water purification at the Lakewood water treatment plant, 8130 Congdon Boulevard, in Duluth. The total of 100,000 gallons is based on an estimated quantity from previous years.

The purchasing division posted a request for bids on the city's website in December of 2009. Univar USA, Inc., was the lowest of four bids received by the January 4, 2010, closing date.

CAUSTIC SODA Bid No. 10-0006; Requisition 10-0006 Bids Received January 4, 2010		
Vendor	City/State	Base Bid
Univar USA, Inc.	St. Paul, MN	\$102,630.00
K.A. Steel Chemicals, Inc.	Lemont, IL	\$106,500.00
Hawkins, Inc.	Minneapolis, MN	\$119,000.00
Harcros Chemicals, Inc.	St. Paul, MN	\$217,000.00
Polydyne, Inc.	Riceboro, GA	No bid
USALCO	Baltimore, MD	No bid