

WEST BASIN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT

JUNE 4, 2003 - Water Resources
Little, Kwan

JUNE 23, 2003 - Board Meeting

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ACTION CALENDAR

LABORATORY SERVICES CONTRACT
BREWER DESALTER

SUMMARY:

Commercial laboratories are contracted to provide water quality sample containers, courier services and compliance testing at the Brewer Desalter. A "Request for Bid" was sent in April 2003 to seven qualified, state-certified laboratories for water quality testing and courier services. Bids from five of the seven labs were received. District water quality staff evaluated the submitted bids and recommends Advanced Technology Labs in Signal Hill for their cost and qualifications. Advanced Technology Labs is fully certified for all compliance parameters with the exception of bacteria analyses. Bid pricing will be maintained for the initial 2-year contract period. The occasional bacteria sample generated by the Desalter operations will be subcontracted to Associated Labs. A comparison of laboratory bids is displayed in Exhibit "A".

FISCAL IMPACTS:

Appropriate funding has been provided in the Brewer Desalter budget for FY 2003-04.

ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE:

The Brewer Desalter reverse osmosis brine is discharged directly to a sanitary sewer and is monitored for compliance with the County Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County criteria.

COMMITTEE STATUS:

This item was reviewed by the Water Resources Committee on June 4, 2003 and recommended for approval at the June 23, 2003 Board meeting.

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

That the Board authorize the General Manager to enter into a 2-year contract with Advanced Technology Labs for an amount not-to-exceed \$16,000 with a one-year renewal option at the discretion of the Board to provide water quality compliance testing for the Brewer Desalter. Bid pricing will be maintained for the initial 2-year contract period.

EXHIBITS:

Exhibit "A" - Laboratory Bid Comparison

