

WEST BASIN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT

JANUARY 11, 2007 - Water Resources
Little, Smith

JANUARY 22, 2007 - Board Meeting

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ACTION CALENDAR

SULFURIC ACID SUPPLY AND DELIVERY AWARD

SUMMARY:

Last month, the Board authorized the General Manager to terminate the agreement with Equa-Chlor for sulfuric acid supply and delivery to three of the District's facilities on the basis of delayed delivery and non-delivery, and to issue a new "Request for Bids" (RFB) for sulfuric acid.

Equa-Chlor was notified of contract termination. An RFB was sent to nine vendors and posted on the District's website. Bids were anticipated to be higher than the previous RFB as transportation and sulfuric acid raw material prices have gone up in the last six months.

Three bids were received and are summarized in Exhibit "A". Basic Chemical Solutions is the lowest responsible bidder. Staff recommends awarding the sulfuric acid contract to Basic Chemical Solutions based on cost and past service to the District. The Basic Chemical Solutions bid ranges from 8% to 12% higher than our current vendor based on location delivered.

FISCAL IMPACTS:

Funds for sulfuric acid are included in the Fiscal Year 2006-07 Operations and Maintenance Budget.

ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE:

Not applicable.

COMMITTEE STATUS:

This item was reviewed by the Water Resources Committee on January 11, 2007 and was recommended for approval at the January 22, 2007 Board meeting.

RECOMMENDED MOTIONS:

That the Board authorizes the General Manager to enter into an agreement with Basic Chemical Solutions for a total contract amount of \$410,738, plus 10% contingency for an amount not-to-exceed \$451,812, to supply and deliver sulfuric acid to three of the District's facilities: The West Basin Water Recycling Plant (WBWRP) in El Segundo, the ExxonMobil Boiler feed Plant, and the Juanita Millender-McDonald Carson Regional Water Recycling Plant (JMMCRWRP). The agreement will expire June 30, 2008.

EXHIBITS:

Exhibit "A" – Bid Comparison