

CITY OF HOUSTON - CITY COUNCIL

Meeting Date:
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Item Creation Date: 9/8/2015

S25123 - Chemical, Aqua Ammonia -MOTION

Agenda Item#:

Background:

S12-S25123 - Approve an award to Southern Ionics, Incorporated in an amount not to exceed \$1,937,805.77 for Chemical, Aqua Ammonia for the Department of Public Works and Engineering.

SPECIFIC EXPLANATION:

The Director of the Department of Public Works and Engineering and the City Purchasing Agent recommend that City Council approve an award to **Southern Ionics, Incorporated** on its low bid meeting specifications in an amount not to exceed **\$1,937,805.77** for aqua ammonia for the Public Works & Engineering Department. It is further requested that authorization be given to issue purchase orders, as needed, for a 60-month period. This award, consisting of approximately 2,430 tons of aqua ammonia, will be utilized on a daily basis by the Department's Drinking Water Operations to prevent the formation of carcinogenic compounds during the potable drinking water treatment process. Aqua ammonia is required to maintain compliance with the Environmental Protection Agency and the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality mandates.

This project was advertised in accordance with the requirements of the State of Texas bid laws. Ten prospective bidders downloaded the solicitation document from SPD's e-bidding website and two bids were received as detailed below:

<u>COMPANY</u>	<u>TOTAL AMOUNT</u>
1. Airgas Specialty Products	\$1,895,926.11
2. Southern Ionics, Incorporated	\$1,937,805.77

Hire Houston First:

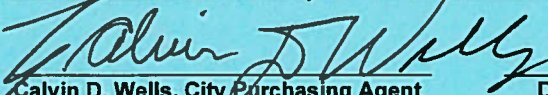
The proposed award requires compliance with the City's Hire Houston First (HHF) Ordinance. **Southern Ionics, Incorporated** was HHF designated and was awarded the contract based on their designation.

M/WBE Subcontracting:

This bid was issued with a 11% goal for M/WBE participation. **Southern Ionics, Incorporated** has designated the below named company as its certified M/WBE subcontractor:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Type of Work</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Oil Products Distribution, Ltd.	Chemical and Petroleum Supplies	\$213,158.63

This Award will be monitored by the Office of Business Opportunity



Calvin D. Wells, City Purchasing Agent Department Approval Authority Signature
Finance/Strategic Procurement Division

Amount of Funding:

Estimated Spending Authority: **\$1,937,805.77** - Water & Sewer System Operating Fund (8300)

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