

DENVER BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

Meeting Date: January 13, 2010

Board Item: V-A-5

Tabulation of Bids for PolyDADMAC Polymer

Action by Consent

Action

Information

PolyDADMAC polymer is used to supplement liquid alum in the coagulation process and its use is essential in ensuring that the stringent water quality standards are met. With the addition of PolyDADMAC polymer, alum and caustic soda usage has dropped and the production of sludge has been reduced.

The PolyDADMAC's are propriety formulations and through extensive testing Denver Water has pre-qualified three products from two manufactures for use in its water treatment process. Bid responses were received from both manufactures, Ciba Specialty Chemicals Corporation and Nalco Company, as per the attached bid tabulation. There are no SBE's available to furnish this material. The low bid submitted by Ciba Specialty Chemicals Corporation is approximately 5% lower than the previous contract. Prices are firm for the first year of the contract.

The previous contract was awarded to Ciba Corporation on November 14, 2007. Nalco held the contract prior to 2007.

Funds are included in the 2010 Budget and will be included in the 2011 Budget for this expenditure (MPCs 4CB0002, 4CB0003, and 4CB0004).

Recommendation:

It is recommended the Board authorize the award of Contract Number 12599A to Ciba Specialty Chemicals Corporation to furnish PolyDADMAC Polymer for the contract period January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2011, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$1,100,000.00. This award is based on best price, compliance with specifications and acceptable delivery.

Approvals:



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Respectfully submitted,



For H. J. Barry, Manager



David LaFrance, Director of Finance

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