

DENVER BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

Meeting Date: December 12, 2012

Board Item: V-E-5

**Authorization of Additional Funds for Lean Consulting Services  
Contract # 13913A**

Action by Consent

Action

Information

The Board entered into Contract No. 13913A with Simpler North America, L.P. (Simpler) to provide professional consulting services in support of the Board's Lean Initiative for the contract period November 16, 2011 through December 31, 2012. Due to the successes gained through the Lean Initiative and the Board's desire to continue implementing improvements to the organization through this methodology, the contract needs to be amended to increase compensation by \$538,545.00 and to implement a revised completion date of December 31, 2013.

The Scope of Work to this Agreement has been amended to reflect the increased number of projects on which the Board and Simpler will focus for the coming year. The primary areas of focus are: the Employer of the Future Value Stream, the Procure to Pay Value Stream, and the continuation of the Project Delivery Value Stream and the Customer Billing Value Stream.

Funds for Lean consulting services are included in the Strategic Planning 2013 budget.

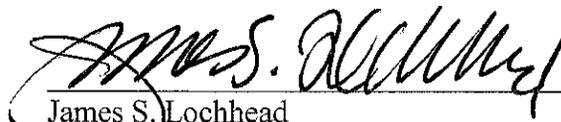
Recommendation:

It is recommended the Board authorize the additional funds and new completion date for Contract No. 13913A with Simpler North America, L.P. for Lean consulting services for the revised contract period of November 16, 2011 through December 31, 2013, for an additional contract amount of \$538,545.00 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$838,545.00.

**Approvals:**

Respectfully submitted,

  
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