

DENVER BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

Meeting Date: January 11, 2012

Board Item: V-A-3

**Tabulation of Bids for High Efficiency Plumbing Fixtures  
for Low-Income Installs**

Action by Consent

Action

Information

In an effort to help disadvantaged customers conserve water, Denver Water will supply high efficiency toilets (1.28 gallons per flush) for low income housing and non-profit retrofit projects in collaboration with the Mile High Youth Corps. Denver Water anticipates that approximately 4,000 toilets will be replaced under this program during 2012 and 2013.

Water savings per retrofitted toilet is estimated at 10,200 gallons annually. Should all 4,000 units be replaced, almost 41 million gallons or 125 acre feet of water will be saved.

Invitation for Bids was downloaded by 29 potential bidders and sent to 10 Small Business Enterprise (SBE) trade organizations. Denver Water received five responses, two of which were SBEs. The low bid was submitted by Wholesale Specialties, Inc.

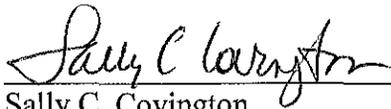
High efficiency plumbing fixtures are included in the Public Affairs budget under MPC 4EA0021 for 2012 and will be included in the 2013 budget.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Board authorize the award of Contract No. 13923A to Wholesale Specialties, Inc., to provide high efficiency plumbing fixtures for Low-Income Install for the period February 1, 2012 through January 31, 2014 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$300,000.00.

**Approvals:**

Respectfully submitted,



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