

ECUA GENERAL RESOLUTION NO. GR21-47

A GENERAL RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXTENSION OF THE CONTRACT WITH SOUTHERN IONICS, INC. FOR ALUMINUM SULFATE AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE EMERALD COAST UTILITIES AUTHORITY:

WHEREAS, ECUA Water Reclamation operations staff uses Aluminum Sulfate at all three wastewater treatment facilities for phosphorus removal to meet the requirements of our Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) operating permits; and uses approximately 1,522 dry pounds per fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, on August 1, 2020 the Emerald Coast Utilities Authority (hereinafter "ECUA") entered into a contract for Aluminum Sulfate (the "Contract") with Southern lonics, Inc. of West Point, Mississippi. The current Contract expires on July 31, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the price of \$269.12 per dry pound was the low bid when bids were received on July 14, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the current contract allows for two one-year options to extend at the same pricing with the agreement of Southern Ionics, Inc., and approval of the ECUA Board and this would be the first one-year option; and

WHEREAS, Southern Ionics, Inc., has agreed to extend the contract with the current pricing; and

WHEREAS, funds are currently budgeted and available in the FY 2021 operating budget in the amount of approximately \$125,000, which reflects the purchase of up to 465 dry pounds through September 30, 2021 and were budgeted in FY 2022 in the amount of \$443,500, which reflects the purchase of up to 1,650 dry pounds through September 30, 2022; and

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Emerald Coast Utilities Authority:

SECTION 1. ECUA hereby authorizes the waiver of the normal bidding process; and

SECTION 2. ECUA hereby directs and authorizes the Executive Director to extend the Contract; and

SECTION 3. This resolution shall take effect upon adoption.

| Approved as to form: | Adopted on: |
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| ECUA General Counsel | |
| ATTEST: | |
| Amanda Miller, Administrative Coordinator | Lois Benson, Board Chairman |

Date:

July 20, 2021

Account Number:

4013002-552303: Chemical – Alum

4013003-552303: Chemical – Alum

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Amount:

FY 2021 - \$125,000

FY 2022 - \$443,500

Type of Resolution:

Resolution

EXPLANATION TO ECUA BOARD

Originating Department:

Water Reclamation

REMARKS:

That the Board extend the contract for Aluminum Sulfate with Southern Ionics, Inc. for \$269.12 per dry pound for the first of two one-year options to extend, with pricing as agreed to by the supplier and with the approval of the ECUA Board, and authorize payment from the appropriate line item from the operating budget.

The ECUA Water Reclamation operations staff utilizes Aluminum Sulfate at all three water reclamation facilities for phosphorus removal to meet the requirements of our Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) operating permits. The facilities use approximately 1,522 dry pounds per fiscal year. The supplier delivers the chemical in bulk quantities to on-site storage facilities. The current contract, which expires on July 31, 2020, includes the option to extend the contract for two additional one-year periods.

Southern Ionics, Inc. is our current supplier and has provided excellent service in the past. Their bid price of \$269.12 per dry pound was the lowest bid when ECUA solicited competitive bids in July 2020.

Submitted by:

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Director of Water Reclamation

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Executive Director