

## **ECUA GENERAL RESOLUTION NO. GR20-71**

A GENERAL RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF CONTRACT WITH LHOIST NORTH AMERICA FOR BAGGED HYDRATED LIME AT \$323.84 PER TON.

## BE IT RESOLVED BY THE EMERALD COAST UTILITIES AUTHORITY:

WHEREAS,	the Emerald Coast Utilities Authority (hereinafter "ECUA") Water Production Operations staff uses bagged hydrated lime at water treatment facilities for pH control and the current Contract expires on December 31, 2020; and
WHEREAS,	on July 30, 2020, the ECUA advertised for bagged hydrated lime with bids received and opened on September 1, 2020; and
WHEREAS,	the lowest bid received, Univar USA, was deemed not responsive due to their failure to meet the minimum specifications; and
WHEREAS,	the second lowest bid received, Lhoist North America (LNA), included two exceptions to the general provisions; and
WHEREAS,	legal counsel has reviewed the bid received from LNA and determined one exception to be acceptable and the other to be unacceptable, and LNA has indicated that they would accept a contract with only the acceptable exception; and
WHEREAS,	LNA was determined to be the lowest responsive bid at \$323.84 per ton;
	NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Emerald Coast Utilities Authority:
SECTION 1.	ECUA hereby authorizes the acceptance of the bid and the award of contract to Lhoist North America (LNA); and
SECTION 2.	ECUA hereby directs and authorizes the Executive Director to award the Contract; and
SECTION 3.	This General Resolution shall take effect upon adoption.

Approved as to form:	Adopted on:
ECUA General Counsel	
ATTEST:	
Amanda Miller, Administrative Coordinator	Lois Renson Roard Chairman

Date:

December 8, 2020

**Account Number:** 

4013202-552306 Chemical-Lime

Amount:

FY2021 - \$323.84/Ton

Type of Resolution:

**General Resolution** 

## **EXPLANATION TO ECUA BOARD**

Originating Department:

Water Production

**PURPOSE:** 

That the Board award the contract for bagged hydrated lime to Lhoist North America (LNA) in the amount of \$323.84 per ton, with pricing bid by the supplier and with the approval of the ECUA Board, and authorize payment from the appropriate line item from the operating budget.

**REMARKS:** 

The ECUA Water Production Operations staff uses bagged hydrated lime at water treatment facilities for pH control. The supplier delivers the bagged hydrated lime in enclosed trailers to Building 997B, Ellyson Industrial Park, Pensacola, Fiorida, 32514. ECUA crews subsequently take the chemical to individual water treatment facilities. Water Production also endeavors to maintain a 30-day supply of bagged hydrated lime. Water Production estimates 1,700 to 2,000 tons of usage depending on demand.

The Univar USA bid indicated that their hydrated lime does not meet the specified general requirement of 95% passing the 325 mesh, nor the alternate requirement of 95% passing the 400 mesh, which led to their bid being considered nonresponsive. Utilizing lime with larger grain size would have the potential to increase cost due to quicker wear on equipment and more time spent cleaning settled lime from the system.

The LNA bid did not indicate issues with compliance with the specification, but did indicate two exceptions with the general conditions, specifically sections 21(Warrantles), and 25(Limitation of Liability). Legal counsel recommended against accepting the exception on Section 25, but was amenable to the exception on Section 21. LNA indicated that they were amenable to this adjustment.

## LNA is our current supplier and has provided excellent service in the past.

Supplier	Bid Amount Per Ton	Estimated Maximum Annual Quantity (Tons)	Estimated Maximum Annual Cost	Estimated Average Quantity (Tons)	Estimated Average Annual Cost
Lhoist North America (LNA)	\$323.84	2000	\$647,680	1700	\$550,528

Submitted by:

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Reviewed by

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