



Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR BOARD MEETING OF MAY 18, 2017

COMMITTEE ON PROCUREMENT

Mr. David St. Pierre, Executive Director

Authority to advertise Contract 17-107-11 Furnish and Deliver a Lab-Scale Fermenter, estimated cost \$29,000.00, Account 201-50000-634990, Requisition 1460689

Dear Sir:

Contract documents and specifications have been prepared for 17-107-11 to furnish and deliver a lab-scale fermenter. This contract will begin upon award and end November 30, 2017.

The purpose of this contract is to purchase the equipment that can conduct studies with anaerobic digestion to support the District's efforts of achieving energy neutrality. This equipment will help us evaluate the intrinsic gas production from the addition of different high-strength organic materials (HSOMs) and identify potential operational problems by simulating the co-digestion operations at a full-scale digester. In addition, this equipment will also help us with conducting other scientific studies of varying scopes, mainly in the areas of fermentation and co-fermentation, which can examine the fermentation of HSOMs to provide supplemental carbon for the District's bio-phosphorus removal process.

The estimated cost for this contract is \$29,000.00.

A bid deposit is not required for this contract.

The Multi-Project Labor Agreement is not applicable to this contract because it is primarily a furnish and deliver contract.

The Affirmative Action Ordinance, Revised Appendix D is not included in this contract because it is primarily a furnish and deliver contract.

The tentative schedule for this contract is as follows:

Advertise	May 30, 2017
Bid Opening	June 16, 2017
Award	July 6, 2017
Completion	November 30, 2017

Funds are available in Account 201-50000-634990.

In view of the foregoing, it is recommended that the Director of Procurement and Materials Management be authorized to advertise Contract 17-107-11 to Furnish and Deliver a Lab-Scale Fermenter.

Requested, Edward W. Podczerwinski, Acting Director of Monitoring and Research,
EWP:KMB:HZ:JSG:JAK:KP:kq/ae

Recommended, Darlene A. LoCascio, Director of Procurement and Materials Management
Respectfully Submitted, Barbara J. McGowan, Chairman Committee on Procurement
Disposition of this agenda item will be documented in the official Regular Board Meeting Minutes of the Board of Commissioners for May 18, 2017