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Mayor and Members of the City Council  
**STAFF REPORT**  
For the Meeting of August 28, 2023

**Title/Subject**

Resolution 2289- Regional Water System Phase 2 Controls Procurement

**Summary and Background**

The Port of Umatilla (POU) is working with an industrial client to receive non-potable cooling water through the Regional Water System (RWS) using POU water rights and by a separate agreement between POU and the client. The City, as the contracted operator of the RWS, is working to construct the necessary upgrades to the system at the client's cost. Several of those upgrades include relatively long lead-times, and therefore, in order to ensure an upgrade completion date of February, 2025, the City is purchasing some of those items early and being reimbursed by the client.

This item pertains to controls systems at the RWS, which allow for automated and remote operation of the system by the City's operators.

**Tie-In to Council Goals**

Attract industry and jobs

**Fiscal Information**

This project, as is the case on all RWS improvements like this, the ultimate customer pays for all of the costs by reimbursement. Therefore, there is no actual fiscal impact to the City. However, this project was included as part of the \$20M in budgeted expenditures this fiscal associated with RWS upgrades.

The following bids were received:

1. Engineer's Estimate: \$88,799.00
2. The Automation Group: \$90,132.25

Although only one bid was received, it is recommended to proceed with awarding the contract to The Automation Group (TAG). The bid is within approximately 1.5% of the Engineer's estimate. TAG already works as the "Integrator of Record" for all of the City's water and sewer control systems, so staff is familiar with them and the quality of their work. The client who is

paying for the project has been provided with the bid tabulation form, and agrees with awarding the contract to TAG.

### **Alternatives and Recommendation**

#### **Alternatives**

1. Approve Resolution 2289 awarding the contract to TAG
2. Reject Resolution 2289
3. Table Resolution 2289

#### **Recommended Action/Motion**

Motion to approve Resolution 2289

#### **Submitted By:**

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