



CITY OF NORMAN, OK STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: 7/23/2024

REQUESTER: Rachel Camp, Water Treatment Plant Manager

PRESENTER: Rachel Camp, Water Treatment Plant Manager

ITEM TITLE: CONSIDERATION OF AWARDDING, ACCEPTANCE, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF BID 2425-8 SUBMITTED BY CARGILL, INC., IN THE AMOUNT OF \$274.21 PER TON FOR THE PURCHASE OF SOLAR SALT FOR THE WATER TREATMENT FACILITY.

BACKGROUND:

Solar Salt is used at the Water Treatment Plant to create liquid sodium hypochlorite (bleach) for disinfecting our drinking water. Bids for chemical purchases are either extended each year or rebid. Funds in the amount of \$1,241,041 have been budgeted for FYE 2025 in the Water Treatment Plant – Operating Chemicals (Account No. 31955234-43108) for purchase of all treatment chemicals.

DISCUSSION:

Specifications for Bid 2425-8 for Solar Salt were sent to five (5) vendors and two (2) bids were received on July 5, 2024. Bids ranged from \$274.21 per ton to \$549.81 per ton. Cargill, Inc. was the low bidder at \$274.21 per ton. Compared to a cost of \$257.00 per ton from last year, this is an increase of 6.48%.

RECOMMENDATION:

Purchases will be made throughout FYE 2025. Staff recommends acceptance of Bid 2425-8 from Cargill, Inc. in the amount of \$274.21 per ton for the purchase of Solar Salt used in the water treatment process.