

**Plants Division of the Public Utilities Department Chemical Bid No. 2025-05****Background:**

The City of Albemarle received bids for chemicals on June 9, 2025. The chemicals are used in the Plants Division of the Public Utilities Department. Six companies submitted bids for consideration. Bid tabulations are attach to this submittal.

Submitting Department:

Public Utilities Department

Description:

Staff recommends the following bids be awarded:

Chemtrade Chemicals (Liquid Alum)	\$181,476.36
Brenntag Mid-South (Liquid Caustic)	\$158,880.00
Univar (Liquid Hydrofluosilicic Acid)	\$10,340.00
JCI Jones Chemicals (Chlorine Gas)	\$159,775.00
JCI Jones Chemicals (Sodium Bisulfite)	\$34,600.00
Amerochem Corp. (Carbon Slurry)	\$252,525.00
TOTAL	\$797,596.36.00

While the bid specified that prices be firm for a minimum term of three months, a few companies claimed Force Majeure and stated the price will be evaluated each quarter. The City expects the prices to fluctuate as companies adjust to changing markets.

There are sufficient funds in the FY 2025-26 Public Utilities budget for the above listed recommendations. The costs of these items will be charged to account 617130-520101 and 617140-520101.

Is this item budgeted?

Yes

Attachments:

1. Council Memorandum
2. Chemical Bid Tabulation