



CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

ITEM NO. 5.7

DATE: July 14, 2025

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council

FROM: Carl Brown, Public Works Director

SUBJECT: Resolution authorizing execution of an agreement with Univar Solutions USA, LLC for the supply and delivery of sodium hypochlorite (12.5%) for use at the Water Reclamation Plant, in an amount no-to-exceed \$705,000.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Staff recommends the City Council adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute an agreement with Univar Solutions USA, LLC for the supply and delivery of sodium hypochlorite (12.5%) for use at the Water Reclamation Plant, in an amount not-to-exceed \$705,000.

SUMMARY

The Regional Water Quality Control Board requires the City to disinfect all treated wastewater prior to discharging it. Staff at the Water Reclamation Plant (WRP) currently use sodium hypochlorite (12.5%) for this purpose. Through a cooperative bidding process, Univar Solutions USA, LLC was determined to be the lowest bidder at \$3.31 per gallon.

DISCUSSION

The WRP treats approximately 5.5 million gallons per day of raw wastewater. In order to meet federal and state regulations, the Regional Water Quality Control Board requires the City to disinfect all treated wastewater before discharging it. This is accomplished through the addition of sodium hypochlorite. The WRP uses approximately 155,000 gallons per year.

Earlier this year, the City participated in the annual Bay Area Chemical Consortium's (BACC) competitive bidding process for the supply of sodium hypochlorite. This bidding process met the requirements of Livermore Municipal Code 2.68.390 section C for cooperative bidding arrangements. The BACC is made up of numerous water and wastewater agencies in the Bay Area region that use similar chemicals. By utilizing the aggregate volume of these agencies, the BACC seeks to achieve the lowest market price for its members. In February 2025, the BACC issued Bid No, 13-2026 for competitive bidding for the supply of sodium hypochlorite (12.5%). Univar USA, Inc. was selected as the lowest responsive bidder at \$3.31 per gallon.

FISCAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE IMPACTS

The \$705,000 not-to-exceed amount for the supply and delivery of sodium hypochlorite is included in the proposed FY 2025-26 operating budget in the Wastewater Enterprise Fund (Fund 620). Staff does not anticipate any administrative impacts or impacts to any other Fund due to approval of this agreement.

COMMUNITY PILLAR

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GOAL

11: Operate and maintain municipal water systems that provide safe, efficient delivery of potable and recycled water, collect and treat wastewater, and comply with all federal, state, and local regulations.

ATTACHMENTS

1. [Award Letter](#)
2. [Resolution](#)
3. [Exhibit A - Agreement](#)

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