

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FRESNO, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF REMOTE RACKING UPGRADES FOR CIRCUIT BREAKERS AT THE FRESNO-CLOVIS REGIONAL WASTEWATER RECLAMATION FACILITY FROM WESCO INTERNATIONAL INC IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$900,637 WITHOUT ADVERTISED COMPETITIVE BIDDING

WHEREAS, the City of Fresno (City) operates and maintains the Fresno-Clovis Regional Wastewater Reclamation Facility (RWRF), treating an average of 60 million gallons of wastewater each day; and

WHEREAS, the RWRF requires medium voltage electrical equipment to operate the various treatment processes; and

WHEREAS, City electricians undergo regular maintenance on the medium voltage electrical equipment at RWRF by racking and unracking the circuit breakers at the facilities; and

WHEREAS, the City has an interest in providing a safe working environment for employees when handling electrical equipment; and

WHEREAS, RWRF electricians are currently at elevated risk of electrocution when racking and unracking circuit breakers associated with the medium voltage electrical equipment due to the possibility of an arc flash from the breaker; and

WHEREAS, remote racking technology is unique and specialized in that it effectively eliminates the risk of arc flash electrocution when racking and unracking circuit breakers by allowing the worker to accomplish racking and unracking of a circuit breaker from a safe distance; and

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Effective Date:

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WHEREAS, all medium voltage circuit breakers utilized at the RWRF are of Eaton Corporation design; and

WHEREAS, the City has performed a diligent search for suppliers of remote racking technology and determined that Eaton Corporation is the sole supplier of remote racking technology that is compatible with devices in use at the plant, and that Wesco International, Inc. is the exclusive distributor of Eaton Corporation products in this region;

WHEREAS, the Eaton Corporation medium voltage circuit breakers that are utilized at RWRF are compatible with the Eaton Corporation remote racking technology the City requires for safety of its workers; and

WHEREAS, the City has entered into extensive negotiations with Eaton Corporation to provide and install this remote racking technology and Eaton Corporation has agreed to a one-time cost of \$900,637, which includes costs of \$473,091 for materials, and \$427,546 for labor, to be purchased through Wesco International, Inc., with no annual fees; and

WHEREAS, the City of Fresno Charter Section 1208 requires advertised competitive bidding for equipment involving the expenditure of City monies in excess of \$158,000, unless Council determines that the work to be done or the goods to be supplied can only be provided by one source, and the purchase is authorized by resolution of the Council containing a declaration of the facts constituting the sole source.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Fresno as follows:

1. The Council has received and considered the report and recommendations of City staff.

2. The remote racking systems meeting the needs of the RWRF are only available through Wesco International Inc.

3. Advertised competitive bidding for the remote racking systems is suspended under the sole source exception.

4. The Director of Public Utilities, or designee, is authorized to enter into an Agreement for the procurement and installation the remote racking systems from Wesco International, Inc. for an amount not to exceed \$900,637.

5. This resolution shall be effective upon final approval.

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF FRESNO) ss.
CITY OF FRESNO)

I, TODD STERMER, City Clerk of the City of Fresno, certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Council of the City of Fresno, at a regular meeting held on the _____ day of _____ 2023.

AYES :
NOES :
ABSENT :
ABSTAIN :

Mayor Approval: _____, 2023
Mayor Approval/No Return: _____, 2023
Mayor Veto: _____, 2023
Council Override Vote: _____, 2023

TODD STERMER, CMC
City Clerk

By: _____
Deputy Date

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
ANDREW JANZ
City Attorney

By: _____
Brandon M. Collet Date
Supervising Deputy City Attorney

Attachment: Wesco Purchase Agreement