

## CITY OF ALBANY

### NOTICE OF SPECIAL PROCUREMENT

Notice is hereby given that the City of Albany Public Works Department intends to enter into a Class Special Procurement to acquire Allen-Bradley process control components and related equipment with Rockwell Automation. A written request for approval and award of the proposed Class Special Procurement was presented to the Local Contract Review Board on Wednesday, March 14, 2012, at 7:15 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers, 333 Broadalbin Street SW, Albany and was approved by Resolution No. 6092.

The contract to be considered for Class Special Procurement proposes to acquire Allen-Bradley process control components and related equipment with Rockwell Automation through their local distributor for the Albany-Millersburg Water Reclamation Facility; the Albany-Millersburg Water Treatment Plant; the Vine Street Water Treatment Plant; and various pump stations, lift stations, and the canal in order to maintain consistency and compatibility with other existing equipment for efficient public works operations. Standardization of equipment provides prompt repair and exchange of parts and components between facilities.

The Albany-Millersburg Water Reclamation Facility; the Albany-Millersburg Water Treatment Plant; the Vine Street Water Treatment Plant; and various pump stations, lift stations, and the canal all have been designed and constructed with Allen-Bradley process control components. Product standardization provides increased proficiency, safety, and cost-savings. It is not feasible to have different brands and manufacturers of control components because the components must interface and work together.

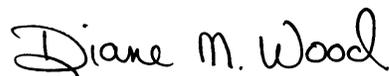
The Local Contracting Agency has concurred, finding that Rockwell Automation is the sole supplier for Allen-Bradley process control components and in order to provide continued efficiency and compatibility, future procurements of process control equipment and components should be procured by a class special procurement method. It was also determined that awarding a contract to Rockwell Automation would be unlikely to diminish competition or encourage favoritism for future purchases when it becomes necessary to replace old or outdated equipment.

The purpose of this notice is to provide information to the public and to invite interested persons an opportunity to submit written comment within seven days of the date of this public notice. The protest shall provide a detailed statement of the legal and factual grounds for the protest, a description of the resulting harm to the Affected Person, and the relief requested.

Written protests must be delivered to the Finance Department of the City of Albany no later than 4:00 p.m., March 26, 2012. Written protests received after the closing date and time are late and will not be considered. Postmarks, facsimiles, and electronic protests will NOT be considered. Protests must be submitted in writing to the City of Albany, Finance Department, Attn: Diane Wood, Purchasing Coordinator, 333 Broadalbin Street SW, Albany, OR 97321.

This notice is given in accordance with provisions of the Albany Municipal Code, Section 2.66.060(11), Oregon Revised Statutes, 279B.085, and Oregon Administrative Rules, 137-047-0285.

DATED THIS 19TH DAY OF MARCH 2012.



Diane M. Wood, Purchasing Coordinator

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