

RESOLUTION NO. SCV-247

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY WATER AGENCY
AWARDING A CONTRACT TO AQUEOUS VETS FOR THE
SANTA CLARA AND HONBY WELLS PFAS GROUNDWATER TREATMENT
MATERIALS PURCHASE PROJECT**

WHEREAS, Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency (Agency) determined that Per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) are a threat to the Agency's groundwater resources; and

WHEREAS, the Santa Clara and Honby Wells Groundwater Treatment Project is an important component to treat PFAS; and

WHEREAS, Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency, as the CEQA Lead Agency, filed a Notice of Exemption with the Los Angeles County Clerk's Office on November 14, 2020, the Ventura County Clerk's Office on November 5, 2020, and the State Clearinghouse on September 4, 2020; and

WHEREAS, The project, aka the whole of the action, also qualifies for an exemption under CEQA guidelines Section 15301 Class 1 Minor Alterations to Existing Facilities because it is a minor alteration of an existing public facility and it concerns proposed new mechanical equipment involving negligible or no expansion of use, i.e. no additional extraction of water, beyond that existing at the time of the lead agency's determination; and

WHEREAS, the project, aka the whole of the action, also qualifies for an exemption under CEQA guidelines section 15303 Class 3 New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures because the water main extension and treatment system reflect limited construction of facilities where only minor modifications are made; and

WHEREAS, none of the exceptions listed in Section 15300.2 of the CEQA Guidelines would apply to the action; and

WHEREAS, no further CEQA documentation is necessary for the Board to act with regards to the proposed actions; and

WHEREAS, all bid proposals submitted to the Agency pursuant to the Agency's specifications (Project No. 1000577) for procurement of the Santa Clara and Honby Wells PFAS Groundwater Treatment Materials Purchase Project, as amended by Addenda, were publicly opened electronically on the Agency's bid website page on PlanetBids on Thursday, October 21, 2021 at 2:00 p.m., in full accordance with the law and the Agency's customary procedures; and

WHEREAS, the apparent low bidder, Calgon Carbon Corporation, failed to comply with the bid requirements as required by the Contract Documents and is therefore non-responsive; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors finds, after considering the opinion of staff, that the total bid of Aqueous Vets in the amount of \$814,050 is the lowest responsible bid of two

bids submitted, and that said bid substantially meets the requirements of said materials purchase contract documents as amended by Addenda; and

WHEREAS, it is in the Agency's best interest that the Board of Directors, on behalf of the Agency, authorize its General Manager to accept the \$814,050 bid from Aqueous Vets.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the bid from Calgon Carbon Corporation, the apparent low bid, is hereby rejected as non-responsive for failing to provide required information.

RESOLVED FURTHER that the Agency's Board of Directors waives all immaterial discrepancies and does authorize its General Manager to accept the Aqueous Vets bid and does therefore authorize the Agency's General Manager or its Chief Engineer to issue a Notice of Award to Aqueous Vets, hereby found to be the "lowest responsive responsible bidder" for the Santa Clara and Honby Wells PFAS Groundwater Treatment Materials Purchase Project for the total sum of \$814,050.

RESOLVED FURTHER that the Agency's General Manager or its President and Secretary are thereupon authorized, upon receipt of appropriate payment and performance bonds, appropriate certificates of insurance and an executed Contract Agreement from Aqueous Vets, all of which must be approved by General Counsel, to execute the said Contract Agreement on behalf of the Agency.

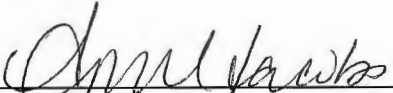
RESOLVED FURTHER that the Agency's General Manager or Chief Engineer are thereafter authorized to execute and forward to Aqueous Vets an appropriate Notice to Proceed.



President

I, the undersigned, hereby certify: That I am the duly appointed and acting Secretary of the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency, and that at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of said Agency held on January 4, 2022, the foregoing Resolution No. SCV-247 was duly and regularly adopted by said Board, and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended since the date of its adoption, and that it is now in full force and effect.

DATED: January 4, 2022



Secretary

