ERIE COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY



INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

March 29, 2022

To: Terrence D. McCracken, Secretary to the Authority

From: David M. Patton, Senior Production Engineer

Subject: Furnishing and Delivering of Potassium Permanganate

to the Erie County Water Authority for use in the Treatment of Water

for One Year

ECWA Project No. 202200016

On Tuesday, February 22, 2022, the Authority received two (2) bids for the above referenced contract. The bids were reviewed and a mathematical check has been performed.

The mathematically low bidder, Shannon Chemical Corporation, provided price for potassium permanganate that did not meet the Authority's specifications and failed to provide the affidavit of compliance required per the bid specifications; therefore, this bid was determined non-responsive.

The second bidder, Carus LLC (Carus) provided the required affidavit and is an established supplier of chemicals to the Authority. Carus, during past business transactions and chemical deliveries to ECWA facilities, has always fulfilled their contract requirements in a reliable and competent manner, delivering quality product in a timely fashion according to the Authority Contract specifications.

Since Carus has provided adequate proof of insurance, that has been approved by The Authority's Claims Representative/Risk Manager, the Engineering Department therefore recommends the award of the above-referenced contract to Carus, LLC in the amount of \$377,280.00.00, subject to legal review.

Budget Information:

Sturgeon PointVan De WaterUnit: 1015Unit: 1010

O & M Line Item 13: Chemicals

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Attached please find the following documents:

- 1. ECWA Authorization Form.
- 2. ECWA Recommendation for Award of Contract form.
- 3. Bid Tabulation.
- 4. Three copies of contract documents for execution by ECWA Chairman.

DMP:jmf
Attachments
cc: R.Stoll
M.Wymer
L.Lester
CHEM-715-2201-X-12

ERIE COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY AUTHORIZATION FORM

For Approval/Execution of Documents (check which apply)

Contract: Project No.: 2022000 Project Description: Furnishing and Delivering of Potassium Permanga for Use in the Treatment of Water for One Year		ECWA
Item Description: Agreement Professional Service Contract Amendment BCD NYSDOT Agreement X Contract Docume X Recommendation for Award of Contract Recommendation Request for Proposals Other		Change Order Addendum Bids
Action Requested: X Board Authorization to Execute X Legal Approval X Board Authorization to Award X Execution by the Chamber Board Authorization to Advertise for Bids Execution by the Second Board Authorization to Solicit Request for Proposals Other		o the Authority
Approvals Needed: APPROVED AS TO CONTENT: X Sr. Production Engineer X Chief Operating Officer X Executive Engineer X Director of Administration X Risk Manager X Chief Financial Officer X Legal APPROVED FOR BOARD RESOLUTION:	Date: Date: Date: Date: Date: Date: Date:	3/29/2022 3/29/2022 03/30/2022 03/29/2022 03/29/2022 03/29/2022 3/29/2022
X Secretary to the Authority	Date:	3/30/22
Remarks: Unit price contract.		

Item No:

Resolution Date:

ERIE COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY RECOMMENDATION FOR AWARD OF CONTRACT

	Project Ning of Potassium Permanganate ent of Water for One Year	
CONTRACT AWARD Contractor/Supplier: Carus LLC Award Amount: \$377,280.00		
BID SUMMARY: Date Advertised for Bids: 01/27/2022 Bidder Shannon Chemical Corporation Carus LlC	Date of Bid C	Opening 02/22/2022 Total Bid Amount **\$49,181.04 \$377,280.00
	** Bid determinent non-response	mined non-responsible and onsive.
Attachments: X Bid Tabulation	Consulta	ant's Recommendation
APPROVALS (Select applicable) WMBE APPROVAL No Waiver Full Waiver Partial Waiver Affirmative Action Officer		Date
INSURANCE APPROVAL X Claims Rep/Risk Manager	Molly Jo Musarra	Date 03/29/2022
NYS CERTIFIED APPRENTICESHIP PRO Coordinator of Employee Relations	OGRAM APPROVAL	Date
Remarks: Unit Price Contract.		

Project Tite:	FURNISH AND DELIVER POTASSIUM PERMANGANATE TO THE ERIE COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY FOR USE IN THE		
	TREATMENT OF WATER FOR ONE YEAR		
ECWA Project:	202200016		

Date advertised:1/27/2022Bid opening Date:2/22/2022

Shannon Chemical Corporation

Bid Items	Quantity (Tons)	Description	Unit Price Bid	Totals
		Potassium Permanganate - Sturgeoin Point		
1	48	Water Treatment Plant	\$637.37	\$30,593.76
		Potassium Permangenate - Van de Water Water		
2	24	Treatment Plant	\$649.47	\$15,587.28
			Total	\$46,181.04

Carus LLC

Bid Items	Quantity (liquid tons)	Description	Unit Price Bid	Totals
		Potassium Permanganate - Sturgeoin Point		
1	48	Water Treatment Plant	\$5,240.00	\$251,520.00
		Potassium Permangenate - Van de Water Water		
2	24	Treatment Plant	\$5,240.00	\$125,760.00
			Total	\$377,280.00

Project Manual – Short Form

FURNISH AND DELIVER POTASSIUM PERMANGANATE TO THE ERIE COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY FOR USE IN THE TREATMENT OF WATER FOR ONE YEAR FROM APRIL 7, 2022 THROUGH APRIL 6, 2023

Project No. 202200016
Erie County Water Authority
3030 Union Road
Cheektowaga, New York 14227





ERIE COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY BUFFALO, NEW YORK

FURNISH AND DELIVER POTASSIUM PERMANGANATE TO THE ERIE COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY FOR USE IN THE TREATMENT OF WATER FOR ONE YEAR

PROJECT No: 202200016

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FURNISH AND DELIVER POTASSIUM PERMANGANATE TO THE ERIE COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY FOR USE IN THE TREATMENT OF WATER FOR ONE YEAR FROM APRIL 1, 2022 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2023

PROJECT No: 202200016

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Erie County Water Authority will receive separate, sealed bids to **FURNISH AND DELIVER POTASSIUM PERMANGANATE TO THE ERIE COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY FOR USE IN THE TREATMENT OF WATER FOR ONE YEAR FROM APRIL 1, 2022 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2023 (Project No. 202200016)**

Bids must be received by the Erie County Water Authority no later than 10:30 a.m. EST, on Tuesday, February 22, 2022 at the Service Center Front Desk, Erie County Water Authority, 3030 Union Road, Cheektowaga, New York 14227.

All bid openings are recorded and posted on the ECWA website, along with the bids results.

When permitted, members of the public may be present to observe the bid opening. All attendees must bring a government-issued photo identification (driver's license preferred) and check-in with the ECWA receptionist before being allowed entry to the bid opening.

Whenever the Erie County Water Authority is operating under a Declaration of Emergency due to a pandemic or other general state of emergencies, members of the public may be precluded from being present at such bid opening.

ANYONE ENTERING THE SERVICE CENTER OR OTHER AUTHORITY FACILITIES IS SUBJECT TO SUCH RESTRICTIONS OR LIMITATIONS IN PLACE AT THE TIME OF ENTRY.

All bids being mailed (including FedEx, UPS, Priority Mail, etc.) or delivered shall be directed to the "SERVICE CENTER FRONT DESK" at the address listed above in a sealed envelope and be clearly marked on the outside of the mailing or hand-delivered envelope "FURNISH AND DELIVER POTASSIUM PERMANGANATE TO THE ERIE COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY FOR USE IN THE TREATMENT OF WATER FOR ONE YEAR FROM APRIL 1, 2022 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2023 (Project No. 202200016)"

Beginning at 9:00 a.m., on Thursday, January 27, 2022, Project Manuals and accompanying drawings, if applicable, may be obtained by writing the Service Center Front Desk at the above address or calling 716-684-1510, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Contract

Documents will be mailed to prospective bidders wishing to obtain a set upon receipt of prospective bidder's charge number for UPS or FedEx. The mailing date will be considered the bidder's date of receipt. Partial sets of documents will not be available.

Each bid shall be accompanied by a certified check or bid bond in the amount of five percent (5%) of the amount of the bid.

In accordance with State Finance Law §§139-j and 139-k, all questions about meaning or intent of the bidding documents shall be submitted to the designated contact person in writing. The designated contact is David M. Patton PE, Senior Production Engineer, Erie County Water Authority, 3030 Union Road, Cheektowaga, New York 14227, telephone 716-685-8229, email dpatton@ecwa.org.

The Erie County Water Authority reserves the right to reject any and all bids or to accept any bid deemed to be for the best interest of the Water Authority even though the proposal chosen may result in the award of the contract to a bidder whose bid is not mathematically lowest.

ERIE COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY

TERRENCE D. McCRACKEN Secretary to the Authority

ERIE COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY BUFFALO, NEW YORK

FURNISH AND DELIVER POTASSIUM PERMANGANATE TO THE ERIE COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY FOR USE IN THE TREATMENT OF WATER FOR ONE YEAR PROJECT NO: 202200016

INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

- 1. BID SHALL BE SUBMITTED ON THESE ERIE COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY (the "Authority") BID FORMS or bid will not be considered. Bid must be typed or printed in ink. Original autograph signatures in ink are required. Facsimile or rubber stamp signatures will not be accepted. ALL PAGES OF THIS BID DOCUMENT MUST BE RETURNED INTACT.
- 2. LATE PROPOSALS. Any bids received at the Authority after the date and time prescribed will not be considered for contract award.
- ADDENDA. All questions about the meaning or intent of the Bidding Documents shall be submitted to the Authority in writing and received by the Authority at least ten (10) days prior to the date for the opening of Bids. Interpretations, clarifications, and/or supplemental instructions considered necessary by the Authority in response to such questions will be issued by Addenda. Addenda may also be issued to clarify, correct or change the Bidding Documents as deemed advisable by the Authority. All Addenda will be mailed by either Registered or Certified mail, with return receipt requested to all parties recorded by the Authority as having received the Bidding Documents, for receipt not later than three (3) days prior to the date for the opening of Bids. Failure of any Bidder to receive any such Addendum shall not relieve any bidder from any obligation of the bid submitted. All Addenda so issued shall become part of the Contract Documents. All Addenda must be submitted with the bid proposal and be properly signed by the Bidder. Only questions answered by Addenda will be binding. The Authority will not be responsible for any other explanations or interpretation of such documents which anyone presumes to make on behalf of the Authority before expiration of the time set for the receipt of Bids. No interpretation of the meaning of the plans, specifications or other Contract Documents will be made to any bidder orally. Oral and other interpretations or clarifications will be without legal effect.
- 4. BID DOCUMENTS. The blank spaces in the proposal must be filled in correctly where indicated for each and every item, and the Bidder must state, both in words and in numerals, written or printed in ink, the prices for which he proposes to do each item of the work contemplated. In case of discrepancy between the words and the numerals, the words shall govern. The Bidder shall sign the proposal and all required forms correctly and with original signatures.
- 5. BID GUARANTEE. Each bid must be accompanied by a certified check made payable to the Erie County Water Authority or a bid bond in the sum of five percent (5%) of the amount

- of the bid. Bid bonds must be in satisfactory form and payable to the order of the AUTHORITY. The bid bond must contain original signatures in ink. The bid bond shall be approved by the Authority's Attorney as to form, and by the Comptroller as to sufficiency of the bond. The amount of the certified check or bid bond shall be retained by the AUTHORITY as liquidated damages if the bidder whose bid is accepted shall fail to enter into a contract with the Authority.
- 6. EQUIPMENT AND MATERIALS BROCHURES. The Technical Specifications may require that each bid be accompanied by certain brochures that describe the various types of equipment or material listed in the bid, then the bid must be accompanied by such brochures. Bids not accompanied by the required equipment and material brochures may be rejected. If brochures are not available, the bidder is required to submit with his bid a letter stating that he has requested four (4) copies of the brochures described in the Technical Specifications and that his bid price is for the equipment or materials as described in these brochures.
- 7. EMERGENCY CLOSINGS. In the event of an emergency closing of certain Authority facilities and/or operations and/or services due to any flood, fire, fire drill, power failure, uncontrolled weather conditions or other cause beyond the Secretary to the Authority's control, only bids received prior to the date and time or postmarked as of the date prescribed will be considered for contract award.
- 8. ANY CHANGE IN WORDING OR INTERLINEATION OF THE ADVERTISEMENT AS PUBLISHED BY THE AUTHORITY shall be reason to reject the proposals in the event that such change in the Advertisement to Bid is not discovered prior to entering into a contract, to void any contract entered into pursuant to such bid. Proposals may be rejected if they show any omissions, alterations of form, additions not called for, conditional or alternate bids other than are provided for in the proposal form, escalation clauses or irregularities of any kind.
- 9. THE AUTHORITY, IN THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE PUBLIC, RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT any and all bids, to accept either in whole or in part any one bid or combination of bids as may be provided in the bid specifications, and to waive any informalities in bids. The Authority does not obligate itself to accept the lowest or any other proposal, and reserves the right to re-bid.
- 10. CONTRACT(S) OR PURCHASE ORDER(S) WILL BE AWARDED after due consideration of the suitability of goods and/or services bid to satisfy these specifications, the total cost of such goods and/or services including all cost elements, and the timeliness of the agreed upon delivery date.
- 11. An EXECUTORY CLAUSE shall be a part of any agreement entered into pursuant to this bid. See, § 7 of the Proposed Contract Documents.
- 12. FAILURE TO MEET DELIVERY SCHEDULE as per accepted bid may result in legal action by the Authority to recover damages.
- 13. PRICES SHALL BE QUOTED F.O.B. DESTINATION.

- 14. COLLECT TRANSPORTATION CHARGES WILL NOT BE PAID BY THE AUTHORITY. All freight, cartage, rigging, postage or other transportation charges shall be prepaid and included in the bid. There will be no additional charges for delivery.
- 15. NO TAXES ARE TO BE BILLED TO THE AUTHORITY. Bids shall not include any State or local excise, sales, transportation or other tax, unless State law specifically levies such tax on purchases made by a public benefit corporation created by the State of New York. The Authority Purchase Order is an exemption certificate. Any applicable taxes from which the Authority is <u>not</u> exempt shall be listed separately as cost elements and added into the total net bid.
- 16. THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER shall comply with all laws, rules, regulations and ordinances of the Federal Government, the State of New York and any other political subdivision or regulatory body which may apply to Bidder's performance under this contract.
- 17. GRATUITIES, ILLEGAL OR IMPROPER SCHEMES. The Authority may terminate contracts or purchase orders, if it is determined that gratuities in the form of entertainment, gifts or otherwise were offered or given by a vendor, his agent or representative to any Authority official or employee with a view towards securing favorable treatment with respect to the awarding of this bid or the performance of the contract or purchase order. The Authority may also terminate a contract or purchase order if it is determined that the successful bidder engaged in any other illegal or improper scheme promotive of favoritism or unfairness incidental to the bidding process or the performance of the contract or purchase order. In the event that it is determined that said improper or illegal acts occurred, the Authority shall be entitled to terminate the contract or purchase order and/or exercise any other remedy available to it under existing law.
- 18. ANY CASH DISCOUNT which is part of a bid will be considered as a reduction in the bid prices in determining the award of the bid. Date of invoice must not precede date of delivery. The Authority policy is to pay all claims in a timely manner within the specified time. However, if for some reason payment is delayed, the Authority will take the discount when payment is made. The Authority will not pay any interest charges nor refund discount amounts taken after the discount period. If this procedure is unsatisfactory, please quote net.
- 19. ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION which bidder desires to add to the bid shall be written on a separate sheet of paper attached to and submitted with the formal sealed bid to be read at the formal opening.
- 20. WARRANTY: Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein contained, BIDDER agrees that the warranties as prescribed by the Laws of the State of New York are and will remain in effect; that this warranty and the time to exercise said warranty in effect at the time of the breach, if any, caused by any breach or by any hidden or latent defect will be as prescribed by the Laws of the State of New York. The obligations of BIDDER herein are independent of any other obligations.
- 21. THIS BID IS FIRM AND IRREVOCABLE for a period of 45 days from the date and time of the bid opening. If a contract is not awarded within the 45 day period, a bidder to whom

- the bid has not been awarded may withdraw his bid by serving written notice upon the Secretary to the Authority of his intention to do so.
- 22. PRICES CHARGED TO THE ERIE COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY are to be <u>no higher</u> than those offered to any other governmental or commercial consumer. If a bidder has a New York State or a Federal GSA contract for any of the items covered in this bid or any similar items, he shall so indicate that he has said contract on these bid papers and automatically supply a copy of this contract within five days after notification of award.
- 23. PRICE IS FIRM. The unit prices bid shall remain firm and any other charges bid shall also remain firm for delivery of the equipment, material, work, or services described in this bid. No cost increase shall be charged for any reason whatsoever.
- 24. EXTENSION OF PRICE PROTECTION. Any contract entered into pursuant to this bid to supply the Authority requirements of goods and/or services for a definite period of time as stated in the attached specifications may be extended for not more than two successive periods of equal length at the same bid price upon the mutual agreement of the successful bidder and the Authority. All extensions shall be submitted in writing and shall have prior approval by the Secretary to the Authority.
- 25. IN EXECUTING THIS BID, THE BIDDER AFFIRMS that all of the requirements of the specifications are understood and accepted by the bidder, and that the prices quoted include all required materials and services. The undersigned has checked all of the bid figures, and understands that the Authority will not be responsible for any errors or omissions on the part of the undersigned in preparing this bid. Mistakes or errors in the estimates, calculations or preparation of the bid shall not be grounds for the withdrawal or correction of the bid or bid security. In case of error in extension of prices in the bid, the unit price will govern.
- 26. ACCOUNTABILITY. The undersigned shall be fully accountable for his or its performance under this bid or any contract or purchase order entered into pursuant to this bid, and agrees that he or its officers will answer under oath all questions relevant to the performance thereof and to any transaction, act or omission done or omitted in connection therewith if called before any Judicial, County or State officer or agency empowered to investigate the contract or his performance.

FURNISH AND DELIVER POTASSIUM PERMANGANATE TO THE ERIE COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY FOR USE IN THE TREATMENT OF WATER FOR ONE YEAR

PROJECT No: 202200016

BID DOCUMENTS AND BID FORM SUPPLEMENTS

OPENING DATE:	Tuesday, February 22, 2022 TIME: 10:30 a.m.
NAME OF BIDDE	ER: Carus LLC
PERSON AUTHO	RIZED TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT FOR BIDDER:
NAME:	Kelly Frasco
TITLE	Product Management Director
SUBMISSION DA	TE: February 17, 2022
ADDRESS:	315 Fifth Street, Peru, IL 61354
PHONE:	800-435-6856
	YED BY THE BIDDER, WHO WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR OBTAINING INSURANCE COVERAGE
NAME:	Samantha Pumo
TITLE	Bid Specialist
ADDRESS:	315 Fifth Street, Peru, IL 61354
PHONE:	800-435-6856
EMAIL:	bids@carusllc.com

BID ITEMS AND BID SHEET

BID DESCRIPTION: FURNISH AND DELIVER POTASSIUM PERMANGANATE TO THE ERIE COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY FOR USE IN THE TREATMENT OF WATER FOR ONE YEAR

PROJECT No.: 202200016

NOTE: The quantities for the unit price items are unpredictable and the Authority has inserted certain quantities in the proposal to be used solely for purpose of comparison of bids. The Bidder will not be entitled to any adjustment in the unit price bid as a result of changes in any of these items ranging from zero to any quantity. The Bidder shall make no claims for anticipated profits, for loss of profits, or for other damages as the result of changes in the quantities purchased.

In case of discrepancy, written unit figures shall govern.

DESCRIPTION ESTIMATED COMPUTED QUANTITY TOTALS

ITEM 1 For furnishing, delivering, and unloading, F.O.B. Destination, approximately 48 tons of Potassium Permanganate to the STURGEON POINT WATER TREATMENT PLANT, all in accordance with the specifications, for the unit price of:

Five Thousand two hundred forty Dollars

rive Thousand two hundred forty Dollar and no Cents

(\$ 5,240.00Ton) per Ton (2,000 pounds) of Potassium Permanganate (KMnO₄)

48 Tons \$251,520.00

ITEM 2	For furnishing, delivering, and unloading,
	F.O.B. Destination, approximately 24 tons
	of Potassium Permanganate to the JEROME D. VAN
	DE WATER RAW WATER PUMPING
	STATION, all in accordance with the specifications,
	for the unit price of:
	Five thousand two hundred forty Dollars
	and <u>no</u> Cents
	(\$ 5,240.00Ton) per Ton (2,000 pounds)
	Potassium Permanganate (KMnO4) 24 Tons \$ 125,760.00
COMPU	TED TOTAL FOR ITEM 1 AND ITEM 2:
Three hun	dred seventy-seven two hundred eighty Dollars
and	no Cents \$377,280.00
NOTE:	Bid results are available on the Erie County Water Authority website, www.ecwa.org (under Doing Business tab, select option Business Opportunities). No bid results will be given over the telephone.
ATTEN	TION OF THE BIDDERS IS CALLED TO THE FOLLOWING:
CERTIF	NS 2875 & 2878 OF THE PUBLIC AUTHORITIES LAW REQUIRE A BIDDER'S ICATE OF NON-COLLUSION. SUCH CERTIFICATE IS PART OF THE BID OR SAL FORM, AND UNLESS COMPLIED WITH SUCH BID WILL NOT BE TED.
upon any	ertifies that he is not in arrears to the Erie County Water Authority or the County of Erie debt or contract, nor is he a defaultor as surety or otherwise upon any obligation of the enty Water Authority or the County of Erie.
The Bid	der agrees to supply all material/equipment/labor above-described at the above-quoted in accordance with all applicable Specifications.
NAME C	OF BIDDER: Carus LLC
AUTHO	RIZED SIGNATURE: DATE: February 17, 2022 Kelly Frasco/Product Management Director

INFORMATION REQUIRED FROM BIDDERS AT TIME OF CANVASS OF BIDS

To facilitate correct drawing and execution of contract, bidder shall supply full information concerning legal status:

FIRM NAME Carus LLC
ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL OFFICE: STREET 315 Fifth Street
CITY Peru
AREA CODE <u>800</u> PHONE <u>435–6856</u> STATE <u>IL</u> ZIP <u>61354</u>
Check one: CORPORATION PARTNERSHIP INDIVIDUAL
Check one: CORPORATION PARTNERSHIP INDIVIDUAL Limited Liability Company X
INCORPORATED UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF Delaware
If foreign corporation, state if authorized to do business in the State of New York:
YES <u>x</u> NO
TRADE NAMES:
ADDRESS OF LOCAL OFFICE: STREET
CITY
AREA CODE PHONE STATE ZIP
NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF PARTNERS:
IDENTIFICATION #: (COMPLETE ONE):
Federal Employer Identification Number: 36-0877400
Social Security Number:
Social Security (validoc).

INFORMATION REQUIRED FROM BIDDERS REGARDING PROPOSED CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

duestion 1:
he BIDDER represents that it has reviewed the Proposed Contract Documents beginning at age AGT-1.
CHECK ONE:
X YES, BIDDER has reviewed the Proposed Contract Documents.
NO, BIDDER has not reviewed the Proposed Contract Documents.
ailure to review the Proposed Contract Documents will result in the BIDDER being deemed IONRESPONSIVE by the Authority and therefore, ineligible to be awarded the Contract.
Duestion 2:
The BIDDER accepts the terms of the Proposed Contract Documents as drafted and agrees to execute the Contract as drafted if awarded the Bid.
CHECK ONE:
YES, BIDDER accepts the Proposed Contract Documents.
NO, BIDDER proposes the following amendment(s) to the Proposed Contract Documents:
*Insert Additional Page(s) if necessary

Is the proposed Amendment a Condition of the Bid Proposal? If the Authority rejects the proposed Amendment would the Bidder withdraw its Bid?
CHECK ONE:
YES, the Amendment is a Condition of the Bid Proposal.
IF the Amendment is a Condition of the Bid Proposal and the Authority rejects the Amendment, the Authority will deem the Bid withdrawn and will proceed to award the Bid to the next lowest, responsible bidder.
NO, the BIDDER would like to negotiate the terms of the Amendment prior to the execution of the Contract.
Please Answer Question 3 for each proposed Amendment to the Proposed Contract Documents and insert additional pages if necessary to provide such answers.
NAME OF BIDDER: Carus LLC

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE: DATE: February 17, 2022

Kelly Frasco/Product Management Director

Ouestion 3:

BID SECURITY FORM

BIDDER (Name and Address):
CARUS LLC
315 Fifth Street
Peru, IL 61354
SURETY (Name and Address of Principal Place of Business):
HARCO NATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY
702 Oberlin Road
Raleigh NC 27605
OWNER:
Erie County Water Authority
295 Main Street, Room 350
Buffalo, New York 14203
BID DUE DATE:02/22/2022
PROJECT: FURNISH AND DELIVER POTASSIUM PERMANGANATE TO THE ERIE COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY FOR USE IN THE
TREATMENT OF WATER FOR ONE YEAR
Project No: 202200016
BOND
BOND NUMBER: N/A
DATE: (Not later than Bid due date): 02/14/2022
PENAL SUM: Five Percent of the Amount Bid (5%)
(Words) (Figures)
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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Surety and Bidder! Intending to be legally bound hereby, subject to the terms printed on the reverse side hereof the Each cause this Bid Bond to be duly executed on
the terms printed on the reverse side rereor, no each cause this bid bond to be duly executed on
its behalf by its authorized officer, agent, of representative
BIDDER SURETY CE CO.MA
1969 HARCO NATIONAL
CARUSTIC STSCATE STATE S
Bidder's Name and Corporate Seal Surery's Name and Corporate Seal
Bidder's Name and Corporate Seal By: Signature and Title Kelly Frasco/Product Management Attach Power of Attorney (Attach Power of Attorney)
Signature and Title Signature and TitleBartlomic Siepierski Attorney-In-Fact (Attach Power of Attorney)
Director (Attach Power of Attorney)
Attest: Samuella Tiema Attest: Lulpy Cures
1.01 Bidder and Surety, jointly and severally, bind themselves, their DWNER upon default of Bidder the penal sum set forth on the face of
heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns to pay to this Bond. P-\CHEM\P202200016\07 Specs-Master\05SF Bid Forms.docx Bid Form & Bid form Supplements
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ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF PRINCIPAL

MY COMMISSION EXPIRES: 10/16/2025

OFFICIAL SEAL MARIA L BERGAGNA NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF ILLINOIS	Maria S. Bergogna	
individual acted, executed the instrument.		
by his/her signature on the instrument, the indi	ividual, or the person upon behalf of which the	
instrument and acknowledged to me that he/sh	ne executed the same in his/her capacity, and that	
the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the individual whose name is subscribed to the within		
personally appeared Kelly Frasco	, personally known to me or proved to me on	
On the 14th day of March	_ in the year 2022, before me, the undersigned,	
COUNTY OF <u>LASALLE</u>)		
STATE OF <u>ILLINOIS</u>)) SS.:		

Notary Public

Bond

N/A

POWER OF ATTORNEY

HARCO NATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY INTERNATIONAL FIDELITY INSURANCE COMPANY

Member companies of IAT Insurance Group, Headquartered: 702 Oberlin Road, Raleigh, North Carolina 27605

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That HARCO NATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Illinois, and INTERNATIONAL FIDELITY INSURANCE COMPANY, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of New Jersey, and having their principal offices located respectively in the cities of Rolling Meadows, Illinois and Newark, New Jersey, do hereby constitute and appoint

DEREK J. ELSTON, BARTLOMIEJ SIEPIERSKI, AERIE WALTON, RACHEL FORE, MARCIA K. CESAFSKY, CHRISTOPHER P. TROHA

Chicago, IL

their true and lawful attorney(s)-in-fact to execute, seal and deliver for and on its behalf as surety, any and all bonds and undertakings, contracts of indemnity and other writings obligatory in the nature thereof, which are or may be allowed, required or permitted by law, statute, rule, regulation, contract or otherwise, and the execution of such instrument(s) in pursuance of these presents, shall be as binding upon the said HARCO NATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY and INTERNATIONAL FIDELITY INSURANCE COMPANY, as fully and amply, to all intents and purposes, as if the same had been duly executed and acknowledged by their regularly elected officers at their principal offices.

This Power of Attorney is executed, and may be revoked, pursuant to and by authority of the By-Laws of HARCO NATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY and INTERNATIONAL FIDELITY INSURANCE COMPANY and is granted under and by authority of the following resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of INTERNATIONAL FIDELITY INSURANCE COMPANY at a meeting duly held on the 13th day of December, 2018 and by the Board of Directors of HARCO NATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY at a meeting held on the 13th day of December, 2018.

"RESOLVED, that (1) the Chief Executive Officer, President, Executive Vice President, Senior Vice President, Vice President, or Secretary of the Corporation shall have the power to appoint, and to revoke the appointments of, Attorneys-in-Fact or agents with power and authority as defined or limited in their respective powers of attorney, and to execute on behalf of the Corporation and affix the Corporation's seal thereto, bonds, undertakings, recognizances, contracts of indemnity and other written obligations in the nature thereof or related thereto; and (2) any such Officers of the Corporation may appoint and revoke the appointments of joint-control custodians, agents for acceptance of process, and Attorneys-in-fact with authority to execute waivers and consents on behalf of the Corporation; and (3) the signature of any such Officer of the Corporation and the Corporation's seal may be affixed by facsimile to any power of attorney or certification given for the execution of any bond, undertaking, recognizance, contract of indemnity or other written obligation in the nature thereof or related thereto, such signature and seals when so used whether heretofore or hereafter, being hereby adopted by the Corporation as the original signature of such officer and the original seal of the Corporation, to be valid and binding upon the Corporation with the same force and effect as though manually affixed."

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, HARCO NATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY and INTERNATIONAL FIDELITY INSURANCE COMPANY have each executed and attested these presents

on this 31st day of December, 2021

STATE OF NEW JERSEY County of Essex STATE OF ILLINOIS County of Cook

Kenneth Chapman

Executive Vice President, Harco National Insurance Company and International Fidelity Insurance Company

On this 31st day of December, 2021 , before me came the individual who executed the preceding instrument, to me personally known, and, being by me duly sworn, said he is the therein described and authorized officer of HARCO NATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY and INTERNATIONAL FIDELITY INSURANCE COMPANY; that the seals affixed to said instrument are the Corporate Seals of said Companies; that the said Corporate Seals and his signature were duly affixed by order of the Boards of Directors of said Companies.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand affixed my Official Seal, at the City of Newark, New Jersey the day and year first above written.

Shirelle A. Outley a Notary Public of New Jersey 6
My Commission Expires April 4, 2023

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned officer of HARCO NATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY and INTERNATIONAL FIDELITY INSURANCE COMPANY do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing copy of the Power of Attorney and affidavit, and the copy of the Sections of the By-Laws of said Companies as set forth in said Power of Attorney, with the originals on file in the home office of said companies, and that the same are correct transcripts thereof, and of the whole of the said originals, and that the said Power of Attorney has not been revoked and is now in full force and effect.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand on this day,

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- 2.01 Default of Bidder shall occur upon the failure of Bidder to deliver within the time required by the Bidding Documents (or any extension thereof agreed to in writing by OWNER) the executed Agreement required by the Bidding Documents and any performance and payment Bonds required by the Bidding Documents.
- 3.01 This obligation shall be null and void if:
 - A. OWNER accepts Bidder's Bid and Bidder delivers within the time required by the Bidding Documents (or any extension thereof agreed to in writing by OWNER) the executed Agreement required by the Bidding Documents and any performance and payment Bonds required by the Bidding Documents, or
 - B. All Bids are rejected by OWNER, or
 - C. OWNER fails to issue a Notice of Award to Bidder within the time specified in the Bidding Documents (or any extension thereof agreed to in writing by Bidder and, if applicable, consented to by Surety when required by paragraph 5.01 hereof).
- 4.01 Payment under this Bond will be due and payable upon default by Bidder and within 30 calendar days after receipt by Bidder and Surety of written notice of default from OWNER, which notice will be given with reasonable promptness, identifying this Bond and the Project and including a statement of the amount due.
- 5.01 Surety waives notice of and any and all defenses based on or arising out of any time extension to issue Notice of Award agreed to in writing by OWNER and Bidder, provided that the total time for issuing Notice of Award including extensions shall not in the aggregate exceed 120 days from Bid due date without Surety's written consent.
- 6.01 No suit or action shall be commenced under this Bond prior to 30 calendar days after the notice of default required in paragraph 4.01 above is received by Bidder and Surety and in no case later than one year after Bid due date.
- 7.01 Any suit or action under this Bond shall be commenced only in a court of competent jurisdiction located in the state in which the Project is located.
- 8.01 Notices required hereunder shall be in writing and sent to Bidder and Surety at their respective addresses shown on the face of this Bond. Such notices may be sent by personal delivery, commercial courier or by United States Registered or Certified Mail, return receipt requested, postage pre-paid, and shall be deemed to be effective upon receipt by the party concerned.

- 9.01 Surety shall cause to be attached to this Bond a current and effective Power or Attorney evidencing the authority of the officer, agent or representative who executed this Bond on behalf of Surety to execute, seal and deliver such Bond and bind the Surety thereby.
- 10.01 This Bond is intended to conform to all applicable statutory requirements. Any applicable requirement of any applicable statute that has been omitted from this Bond shall be deemed to be included herein as if set forth at length. If any provision of this Bond conflicts with any applicable statute, then the provision of said statute shall govern and the remainder of this Bond that is not in conflict therewith shall continue in full force and effect.
- 11.01 The term "Bid" as used herein includes a Bid, offer or proposal as applicable.

END OF BID BOND

HARCO NATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY

1701 GOLF ROAD, SUITE 1-600, ROLLING MEADOWS, IL 60008

STATEMENT OF ASSETS, LIABILITIES, SURPLUS AND OTHER FUNDS AT DECEMBER 31, 2020

ASSETS

Bonds (Amortized Value)	\$97,647,952 4,687,175 817,906,534 47,123,738 15,101,626 175,152,948 30,894,886 45,151,643 6,874,534 0 1,137,118 9,477,956 3,203,261 \$1,254,359,371	
TOTAL AGOLTO		
LIABILITIES, SURPLUS & OTHER FUNDS		
Losses (Reported Losses Net as to Reinsurance Ceded and Incurred But Not Reported Losses)	\$143,768,470 13,625,897 33,948,777 8,362,981 615,501 2,999,990 625,084	
Net Deferred Tax Liability Unearned Premiums Advance Premium	9,247,541 115,882,069 296,536	
Ceded Reinsurance Premiums Payable Funds held by Company under reinsurance treaties Amounts Withheld by Company for Account of Others Payable to Parent Subsidiaries & Affiliates Other Liabilities TOTAL LIABILITIES	88,051,007 13,600,566 45,835,854 4,231,049 77,841 \$481,169,164	
Common Capital Stock	\$3,500,004 670,781,834	

I, John Mruk, Treasurer of HARCO NATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY, certify that the foregoing is a fair statement of Assets, Liabilities, Surplus 1, 2020, as reflected by its books and records and records as the close of business, December 31, 2020, as reflected by its books and records as the close of business.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have set my hand and affixed the seal of the Company, this 26^{th} day of February, 2021.

92,537,882

\$766,819,720

\$1,247,988,884

HARCO NATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY

SIGNED AND SWORN to better this 26 day of March , 20 21

My Comm. Exp.

Unassigned Funds (Surplus)

Surplus as Regards Policyholders

TOTAL LIABILITIES, SURPLUS & OTHER FUNDS

NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF North Carolina

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT BY SURETY

STATE OF ILLINOIS COUNTY OF COOK

On this 14th day of February, 2022, before me, Derek Elston, a Notary Public, within and for said County and State, personally appeared Bartlomiej Siepierski to me personally known to be the Attorney-in-Fact of and for Harco National Insurance Company and acknowledged that s/he executed the said instrument as the free act and deed of said Company.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal, at my office in the aforesaid County, the day and year in this certificate first above written.

Notary Public in the State of Illinois

County of Cook

OFFICIAL SEAL
DEREK ELSTON
NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF ILLINOIS
COOK
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES 09/08/2022

NON-COLLUSIVE BIDDING CERTIFICATION

as mandated by Public Authority Law § 2878

By submission of this bid, each bidder and each person signing on behalf of any bidder certifies, and in the case of a joint bid each party thereto certifies as to its own organization, under penalty of perjury, that to the best of his knowledge and belief:

- (1) The prices in this bid have been arrived at independently without collusion, consultation, communication, or agreement, for the purpose of restricting competition, as to any matter relating to such prices with any other bidder or with any competitor;
- (2) Unless otherwise required by law, the prices which have been quoted in this bid have not been knowingly disclosed by the bidder and will not knowingly be disclosed by the bidder prior to opening, directly or indirectly, to any other bidder or to any competitor; and
- (3) No attempt has been made or will be made by the bidder to induce any other person, partnership or corporation to submit or not to submit a bid for the purpose of restricting competition.

NOTICE (Penal Law § 210.45)

IT IS A CRIME, PUNISHABLE AS A CLASS A MISDEMEANOR UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, FOR A PERSON, IN AND BY A WRITTEN INSTRUMENT, TO KNOWINGLY MAKE A FALSE STATEMENT, OR TO MAKE A FALSE STATEMENT, OR TO MAKE A STATEMENT WHICH SUCH PERSON DOES NOT BELIEVE TO BE TRUE.

BID NOT ACCEPTABLE WITHOUT FOLLOWING CERTIFICATION:

Affirmed under penalty of perjury this17	th day <u>February</u> , 2022		
TERMS 0%, Net 30 Days DELIVERY DA	TE AT DESTINATION 7 - 14 days ARO		
FIRM NAME Carus LLC			
ADDRESS 315 Fifth Street			
Peru, IL	ZIP 61354		
AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE Kosey Franco			
TYPED NAME OF AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE			
TITLE Product Management Director	TELEPHONE No. <u>800–435–6856</u>		

SECTION 2875 OF THE PUBLIC AUTHORITIES LAW

§2875. GROUND FOR CANCELLATION OF CONTRACT BY PUBLIC AUTHORITY.

A clause shall be inserted in all specifications or contracts hereafter made or awarded by any public authority or by any official of any public authority created by the state or any political subdivision, for work or services performed or to be performed or goods sold or to be sold, to provide that upon the refusal of a person, when called before a grand jury, head of a state department, temporary state commission, or other state agency, the organized crime task force in the department of law, head of a city department, or other city agency, which is empowered to compel the attendance of witnesses and examine them under oath, to testify in an investigation concerning any transaction or contract had with the state, any political subdivision thereof or of a public authority, to sign a waiver of immunity against subsequent criminal prosecution or to answer any relevant question concerning such transaction or contract.

- (a) Such person, and any firm, partnership, or corporation of which he is a member, partner, director, or officer shall be disqualified from thereafter selling to or submitting bids to or receiving awards from or entering into any contracts with any public authority or official thereof, for goods, work or services, for a period of five years after such refusal, and to provide also that
- (b) any and all contracts made with any public authority or official thereof, since the effective date of this law, by such person and by any firm, partnership, or corporation of which he is a member, partner, director or officer may be canceled or terminated by the public authority without incurring any penalty or damages on account of such cancellation or termination, but any monies owing by the public authority for goods delivered or work done prior to the cancellation termination shall be paid.

This is to CERTIFY that neither the undersigned nor any member, partner, director, or officer of the firm has refused to sign a waiver of immunity against subsequent criminal prosecution or to answer any relevant question concerning a transaction or contract with the state, any political subdivision thereof, a public authority or with a public department, agency or official of the state or of any political subdivision thereof or of a public authority, when called before a grand jury, head of a state department, temporary state commission, or other state agency, the organized crime task force in the department of law, head of a city department, or other city agency, which is empowered to compel the attendance of witnesses and examine them under oath.

Carus LLC

(Name of Individual, Partnership or Corpo

(Person authorized to sign)

Kelly Frasco,

Product Management Director

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Director
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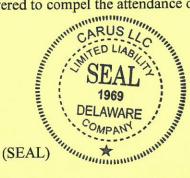
SECTION 2876 OF THE PUBLIC AUTHORITIES LAW

§2876. DISQUALIFICATION TO CONTRACT WITH PUBLIC AUTHORITY

Any person who, when called before a grand jury, head of a state department, temporary state commission or other state agency, the organized crime task force in the department of law, head of a city department or other city agency, which is empowered to compel the attendance of witnesses and examine them under oath to testify in an investigation concerning any transaction or contract had with the state, any political subdivision thereof, a public authority or with a public department, agency or official of the state or of any political subdivision thereof or of a public authority, refuses to sign a waiver of immunity against subsequent criminal prosecution or to answer any relevant questions concerning such transaction or contract, and any firm, partnership or corporation of which he is a member, partner, director or officer shall be disqualified from thereafter selling to or submitting bids to or receiving awards from or entering into any contracts with any public authority or any official of any public authority created by the state or any political subdivision, for goods, work or services, for a period of five years after such refusal or until a disqualification shall be removed pursuant to the provisions of section twenty-six hundred three of this article.

It shall be the duty of the officer conducting the investigation before the grand jury, the head of a state department, the chairman of the temporary state commission or other state agency, the organized crime task force in the department of law, the head of a city department or other city agency before which the refusal occurs to send notice of such refusal, together with the names of any firm, partnership or corporation of which the person so refusing is known to be a member, partner, officer or director, to the commissioner of transportation of the state of New York, or the commissioner of general services as the case may be, and the appropriate departments, agencies and officials of the state, political subdivisions thereof or public authorities with whom the persons so refusing and any firm, partnership or corporation of which he is a member, partner, director or officer, is known to have a contract. However, when such refusal occurs before a body other than a grand jury, notice of refusal shall not be sent for a period of ten days after such refusal occurs. Prior to the expiration of this ten day period, any person, firm, partnership or corporation which has become liable to the cancellation or termination of a contract or disqualification to contract on account of such refusal may commence a special proceeding at a special term of the supreme court, held within the judicial district in which the refusal occurred, for an order determining whether the questions in response to which the refusal occurred were relevant and material to the inquiry. Upon the commencement of such proceeding, the sending of such notice of refusal to answer shall be subject to order of the court in which the proceeding was brought in a manner and on such terms as the court may deem just. If a proceeding is not brought within ten days, notice of refusal shall thereupon be sent as provided herein.

This is to CERTIFY that neither the undersigned nor any member, partner, director, or officer of the firm has refused to sign a waiver of immunity against subsequent criminal prosecution or to answer any relevant question concerning a transaction or contract with the state, any political subdivision thereof, a public authority or with a public department, agency or official of the state or of any political subdivision thereof or of a public authority, when called before a grand jury, head of a state department, temporary state commission, or other state agency, the organized crime task force in the department of law, head of a city department, or other city agency, which is empowered to compel the attendance of witnesses and examine them under oath.



Carus LLC

(Name of Individual, Partnership or Corporation)

(Person authorized to sign)

Kelly Frasco/Product Management Director

FORMS A, B, and C

STATE FINANCE LAW REQUIREMENTS

The Erie County Water Authority (the "Authority") is a government entity, as that term is defined in State Finance Law §§ 139-j(1)(a) and 139-k(1)(a). When the Authority seeks to procure goods or services by means of an Invitation or Notice to Bid, or a Request for Proposals, the State Finance Law imposes certain restrictions on anyone who may wish to offer goods or services to the Authority as an Offerer, as that term is defined in §§ 139-j(1)(h) and 139-k(1)(h).

During the Restricted Period, as defined in §§ 139-j(1)(f) and 139-k(1)(f), when bids or proposals are being solicited, the Authority will designate a contact person with whom the Offerer may contact for information and other authorized purposes as set forth in §139-j of the State Finance Law. The designated contact is identified in the Notice to Bidders, or in the Request for Proposal. An Offerer is authorized to contact the Authority's designated contact for such purposes set forth in § 139-j(3).

Pursuant to the State Finance Law, the Authority is also required to make certain findings before making any determinations as to the qualifications and eligibility of those seeking a procurement contract, as that term is defined in State Finance Law §§ 139-j(1)(g) and 139-k(1)(g). Certain findings of non-responsibility can result in rejection for contract award and in the event of two findings of non-responsibility occurring within a 4-year period, the Offerer will be debarred from obtaining procurement contracts with the Authority. Further information about these requirements can be found in §§139–j and 139–k of the New York State Finance Law and the Erie County Water Authority's Procurement Disclosure Policy.

The following forms will be used by the Authority to make such findings:

Form A - Offerer's Affirmation of Understanding of, and Agreement to Comply with, the Authority's Permissible Contact Requirement During the Restricted Period.

Form B - Offerer's Certification of Compliance with State Finance Law.

Form C - Offerer's Disclosure of Prior Non-Responsibility Determinations.

FORM A

Offerer's Affirmation of Understanding of, and Agreement to Comply with, the Permissible Contact Requirements During the Restricted Period

Instructions:

The Erie County Water Authority (the "Authority") is a government entity, as that term is defined in State Finance Law §§ 139-j(1)(a) and 139-k(1)(a). The Authority must obtain a written affirmation of understanding and agreement to comply with procedures regarding permissible contacts with the Authority in the restricted period for a procurement contract in accordance with State Finance Law §139-j and §139-k. It is required that this affirmation be obtained as early as possible in the procurement process, but no later than when the Offerer submits its proposal.

Offerer affirms that it understands and agrees to comply with the procedures of the Authority relative to permissible contacts as required by State Finance Law §139–j(3) and §139–j(6)(b).		
By: Heer transco Date: February 17	, 2022	
Name: Kelly Frasco		
Title: Product Management Director		
Supplier Name:Carus LLC		
Address:315 Fifth Street		
Peru, IL 61354		

FORM B

Offerer's Certification of Compliance With State Finance Law §139-k(5)

Instructions:

The Erie County Water Authority (the "Authority") is a government entity, as that term is defined in State Finance Law §§ 139-j(1)(a) and 139-k(1)(a). The Authority must obtain a Certification that the information submitted for a procurement contract is complete, true, and accurate regarding any prior findings of non-responsibility, such as non-responsibility pursuant to State Finance Law §139-j. The Offerer must agree to sign the Certification, under penalty of perjury, and to provide the Certification to the Authority. The Certification should be obtained as early as possible in the process, but no later than when an Offerer submits its proposal.

Offerer Certification:		
I certify that all information provided to the Authority relating to the awarding of a procurement contract is complete, true, and accurate.		
By: Meeg Araxo Date: February 17, 2022		
Name: Kelly Frasco		
Title: Product Management Director		
Supplier Name:Carus LLC		
Supplier Address: 315 Fifth Street		
Peru, IL 61354		

FORM C

Offerer's Disclosure of Prior Non-Responsibility Determinations

Background:

The Erie County Water Authority (the "Authority") is a government entity, as that term is defined in State Finance Law §§ 139-j(1)(a) and 139-k(1)(a). New York State Finance Law §139-k(2) obligates the Authority to obtain specific information regarding prior non-responsibility determinations with respect to State Finance Law §139-j. In accordance with State Finance Law §139-k, an Offerer must be asked to disclose whether there has been a finding of non-responsibility made within the previous four (4) years by any Governmental Entity due to: (a) a violation of State Finance Law §139-j; or (b) the intentional provision of false or incomplete information to a Government Entity.

The terms "Offerer" and "Governmental Entity" are defined in State Finance Law §§139–j(1). and §139–k(1), These sections also set forth detailed requirements about the restrictions on contacts during the procurement process. A violation of State Finance Law §139–j includes, but is not limited to, an impermissible contact during the restricted period (for example, contacting a person or entity other than the designated contact person, when such contact does not fall within one of the exemptions).

As part of its responsibility determination, State Finance Law §139–k(3) mandates consideration of whether an Offerer fails to timely disclose accurate or complete information regarding the above non-responsibility determination. In accordance with law, no Procurement Contract shall be awarded to any Offerer that fails to timely disclose accurate or complete information under this section, unless a finding is made that the award of the Procurement Contract to the Offerer is necessary to protect public property or public health safety, and the Offerer is the only source capable of supplying the required Article of Procurement, as that term is defined in State Finance Law §§ 139-j(1)(b) and 139-k(1)(b), within the necessary timeframe. See State Finance Law §139–j(10)(b) and §139–k(3).

Instructions:

The Authority must include a disclosure request regarding prior non-responsibility determinations in accordance with State Finance Law §139–k in its solicitation of proposals or bid documents or specifications or contract documents, as applicable, for procurement contracts. The attached form is to be completed and submitted by the individual or entity seeking to enter into a Procurement Contract. It shall be submitted to the Authority no later than when the Offerer submits its proposal.

FORM C (Continued)

Offerer's Disclosure of Prior Non-Responsibility Determinations

Name of Individual or Entity Seeking to Enter into the Procurement Contract:				
Carus LLC				
Address: 315 Fifth Street				
Peru, iL 61354				
Name and Title of Person Submitting this Form:Kelly Frasco				
Product Management Director				
Contract Procurement Number: 202200016				
Date: February 17, 2022				
1. Has any Governmental Entity made a finding of non-responsibility regarding the individual of entity seeking to enter into the Procurement Contract in the previous four years? (Please circle): No Yes				
If yes, please answer the next questions:				
2. Was the basis for the finding of non-responsibility due to a violation of State Finance Lav §139-j (Please circle): No Yes				
3. Was the basis for the finding of non-responsibility due to the intentional provision of false o incomplete information to a Governmental Entity? (Please circle) No Yes				
4. If you answered yes to any of the above questions, please provide details regarding the finding of non-responsibility below.				
Governmental Entity:				
Date of Finding of Non-Responsibility:				
Basis of Finding of Non-Responsibility:				
(Add additional pages as necessary)				

FORM C (Continued)

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5.	Has any Governmental Entity or other governmental agency terminated or withheld a Procurement Contract with the above-named individual or entity due to the intentional provision of false or incomplete information? (Please circle): No Yes
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6.	If yes, please provide details below. Governmental Entity:
	Date of Termination or Withholding of Contract:
	Basis of Termination or Withholding:
	(Add additional pages as necessary)
Of Sta	ferer certifies that all information provided to the Erie County Water Authority with respect to ate Finance Law §139-k is complete, true, and accurate.
Ву	Date: February 17, 2022 Signature
Na	mme: Kelly Frasco
Ti-	tle: Product Management Director
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Contract Termination Provision

Instructions:

A Contract Termination Provision will be included in each procurement contract governed by State Finance Law §139-k. New York State Finance Law §139-k(5) provides that every procurement contract award subject to the provisions of State Finance Law §§139-k and 139-j shall contain a provision authorizing the governmental entity to terminate the contract in the event that the certification is found to be intentionally false or intentionally incomplete. This statutory contract language authorizes, but does not mandate, termination. "Government Entity" and "procurement contract" are defined in State Finance Law §§ 139 j(1) and 139-k(1).

This required clause will be included in a covered procurement contract.

A sample of the Termination Provision is included below. If a contract is terminated in accordance with State Finance Law §139–k(5), the Erie County Water Authority (the "Authority"), as a governmental entity, is required to include a statement in the procurement record describing the basis for any action taken under the termination provision.

Sample Contract Termination Provision

The Erie County Water Authority (the "Authority"), as a governmental entity, reserves the right to terminate this contract in the event it is found that the certification filed by the Offerer in accordance with New York State Finance Law §139–k was intentionally false or intentionally incomplete. Upon such finding, the Authority may exercise its termination right by providing written notification to the Offerer in accordance with the written notification terms of this contract.

OFFERER'S STATEMENT REGARDING PREVENTION OF UNLAWFUL DISCRIMINATORY PRACTICES

The Erie County Water Authority (the "Authority"), as an employer in New York State, is subject to the Human Rights Law, codified as Executive Law §290, et. seq., and Labor Law §201-g. The Authority seeks to provide a work environment that is free from unlawful discriminatory practices as they are defined in Executive Law §296, as well as from inappropriate harassing conduct even if not deemed unlawful, to its employees, contractors, subcontractors, vendors, consultants, and any other person providing services on Authority premises. Pursuant to the Human Rights Law, it shall be unlawful to discriminate against an individual, or to subject an individual to harassment, due to age, race, creed, color, national origin, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, military status, sex, disability, predisposing genetic characteristics, familial status, marital status, or status as a victim of domestic violence. Accordingly, the Authority requires that any Offeror of a proposal or bid, agree to sign the following statement regarding unlawful discriminatory practices, including, but not limited to sexual harassment, under penalty of perjury. This statement should be provided to the Authority as early as possible in the procurement process, but not later than at the time of execution of a contract with the Authority. Failure to agree to sign the statement may result in the Authority deeming the bid or proposal withdrawn by the Offerer.

Offerer Statement:

I certify, under penalty of perjury, that the following statements are accurate:

- Offerer is aware of its obligations under the Human Rights Law (Executive Law §290, et. seq.)
- Offerer complies with the provisions of Executive Law §290, et. seq., including Executive Law §296, and does not permit unlawful discriminatory practices or harassment based on an individual's age, race, creed, color, national origin, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, military status, sex, disability, predisposing genetic characteristics, familial status, marital status, or status as a victim of domestic violence in its workplace.
- Offerer complies with the provisions of Labor Law §201-g, has implemented a written policy addressing sexual harassment in the workplace which meets the minimum standards of Labor Law §201-g, and provides annual sexual harassment prevention training to all of its employees.

By: Meeoy Franco Name: Kelly Frasco	Date: February 17, 2022
Title: Product Management Director	
Offerer Name:Carus LLC	
Offerer Address:315 Fifth Street	
Peru, IL 61354	
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AFFIDAVIT OF COMPLIANCE

CAIROX® potassium permanganate

Carus LLC proudly located in the United States for over 100 years is the only United States producer of potassium permanganate.

CAIROX potassium permanganate is produced and packaged at:

1500 8th Street LaSalle, IL 61301USA

CAIROX potassium permanganate conforms to

ANSI/NSF Standard 60: Drinking Water Treatment Chemical-Health Effects

AWWA Standard B603 latest version

Water Chemical Codex RMIC Values

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Kelly Frasco, Product Management Director

Carus LLC (f/k/a Carus Corporation) 315 Fifth Street Peru, IL 61354 815/223-1500 Telephone 815/224-6655 Fax





Due to recent constraints with the logistics/transportation industry, additional lead times may temporarily be required.

FURNISH AND DELIVER POTASSIUM PERMANGANATE TO THE ERIE COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY FOR USE IN THE TREATMENT OF WATER FOR ONE YEAR

PROJECT No: 202200016

AGREEMENT

This Agreement, effective April 7, 2022 ("Effective Date"), is by and between

ERIE COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY

295 Main Street, Room 350 Buffalo, New York 14203

hereinafter referred to as the "Authority," and

CARUS, LLC

315 Fifth Street Peru, Illinois 61354

hereinafter referred to as the "Supplier."

The Authority seeks to enter into a contract with the supplier to furnish and deliver Potassium Permanganate (KMnO₄) upon the terms and conditions stated in this Agreement.

In consideration of the mutual promises set forth in this Agreement, the Authority and the Supplier agrees as follows:

ARTICLE 1 – THE PROCUREMENT

- **1.01** The Supplier agrees to furnish and deliver Potassium Permanganate (KMnO₄) Domestic Grade ("Potassium Permanganate") at the pricing set forth in Article 4 of this Agreement. The Authority will notify the Supplier periodically throughout the duration of this Agreement when Potassium Permanganate is to be delivered and in what quantities.
- **1.02** The Supplier shall furnish and deliver the Potassium Permanganate upon the following terms and conditions:
 - A. The Potassium Permanganate shall meet the specifications which are attached to, and incorporated in this Agreement as Appendix A.
 - B. The Potassium Permanganate must conform to the requirements of the latest version of AWWA Standard B603. The Potassium Permanganate should be certified as suitable for contact with or treatment of drinking water by an accredited

- certification organization in accordance with NSF/ANSI 60 (Drinking Water Treatment Chemicals Health Effects).
- C. The Supplier agrees to abide by all environmental laws and regulations relating to the sale and transport of Potassium Permanganate. The Supplier agrees to hold the Authority harmless for any liabilities arising from any breach by the Supplier of any applicable environmental law or regulation.
- **1.03** In response to the Authority's Invitation to Bid, the Supplier submitted and signed Bid Documents and a Proposal, a copy of which are attached to, and incorporated in, this Agreement as the Bid Documents and Bid Form Supplements (BID-1 through BID-20).
- **1.04** This Agreement shall remain in effect from April 7, 2022 through April 6, 2023. The parties may agree in writing to extend this Agreement under the same terms and conditions, or upon such terms and conditions acceptable to the Authority, for two (2) additional one (1) year terms.

ARTICLE 2 – COMPLIANCE

- **2.01** The Authority and the Supplier shall comply with all applicable federal, state, or local laws and regulations and all applicable Authority policies and procedures.
- **2.02** The Supplier shall comply with the provisions set forth in Public Authorities Law §§ 2875, 2876, and 2878 of the laws of the State of New York. In response to the Authority's Invitation to Bid, the Supplier submitted and signed the Public Authorities Law forms, a copy of which are attached to and incorporated in, this Agreement as BID-9 through BID-12.
- **2.03** The Supplier shall comply with the provisions set forth in State Finance Law §§ 139-j and 139-k. In response to the Authority's Invitation to Bid, the Supplier signed and submitted, in accordance with the provisions set forth in the State Finance Law, Forms A, B, and C, a copy of which is attached to, and incorporated in, this Agreement as BID-13 through BID-18.
- **2.04** By executing this Agreement, the Supplier affirms under the penalties of perjury that there was no collusion in the bid submitted to the Authority, upon which forms the basis of this Agreement.
- **2.05** The Supplier shall comply with the provisions of the Human Rights Law (Executive Law § 290, *et. seq.*) and Labor Law § 201-g of the laws of the State of New York. In response to the Authority's Invitation for Bids, the Supplier submitted and signed the Statement Regarding Prevention of Unlawful Discriminatory Practices, a copy of which is attached to, and incorporated in, this Agreement, as BID-20.
- **2.06** The Supplier shall comply with the provisions of the Shield Act, codified at General Business Law § 899-aa of the laws of the State of New York.
- **2.07** If the Supplier, its employees, agents and subcontractors wish to access any Authority property, they must notify the Authority's Security Officer and provide the following information:

- (a) government-issued photo identification for all site visitors; (b) a detailed statement indicating the purpose for the site visit; (c) the proposed date and time for the site visit; (d) the estimated start and finish time for the site visit; and (e) any additional information reasonably requested by the Authority's Security Officer. No person may visit any Authority property without the authorization of the Authority and/or its Security Officer. While on Authority property, the Supplier's employees and representatives shall comply with the specific applicable security and access rules established by the Authority's Security Officer.
- **2.08** Whenever the Authority is operating under a Declaration of Emergency due to a pandemic, the Supplier, its employees, and agents shall comply with all health and safety rules and regulations adopted by the State of New York, the County of Erie, or the Authority including, but not limited to, completing a health screening questionnaire and complying with any testing or vaccination requirements before entering any Authority property.

ARTICLE 3 – PRICING AND DELIVERY SCHEDULE

- **3.01** The parties agree the prices on which this Agreement is based shall be F.O.B. to the point of delivery. In its Bid Proposal, the Supplier submitted a proposed unit price payment for the items outlined in §§ 4.01 and 4.02 of this Agreement and included all freight, cartage, rigging, posting and other transportation charges in such proposed unit price payment pursuant to the Bid Instructions. Under no circumstances will the Authority be responsible for any freight, cartage, rigging, postage or other transportation charges relating to furnishing all necessary materials to the delivery site.
- **3.02** The Supplier shall deliver the Potassium Permanganate within fourteen (14) days of receipt of an Authority Purchase Order. No Potassium Permanganate shall be delivered unless ordered by the Authority. No extensions of time will be granted except in writing by the Authority's Executive Engineer, in the Authority's sole discretion. The parties agree that time is of the essence for this Agreement.
 - A. The Potassium Permanganate is to be delivered to the Authority's Water Treatment Plants as indicated on an Authority Purchase Order. The locations for delivery will be as follows:
 - 1. Sturgeon Point Water Treatment Plant, 722 Sturgeon Point Road, Derby, New York 14047.
 - 2. Jerome D. Van de Water Raw Water Pumping Station, 3300 River Road (Route 266) Tonawanda, New York 14150.
 - B. All deliveries will be made on weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.
- **3.03** The Supplier shall deliver all materials and supplies as ordered by Authority personnel. The Supplier's failure to timely deliver an order shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement for which the Authority may seek and recover damages, including attorney's fees and other expenses.

- **3.04** The Supplier agrees the unit price for materials and supplies under this Agreement shall remain firm until all materials and goods are delivered. The Supplier understands no cost increase shall be charged for any reason whatsoever.
- **3.05** The Supplier guarantees to the Authority the price offered for materials and supplies will be no higher than those offered to any other governmental or commercial consumer.
 - A. If the Supplier has a New York State or a Federal GSA contract for any of the items covered under this Agreement or any similar items, the Supplier shall supply such items, if acceptable to the Authority, when the price for such item is no higher than the quoted price in this Agreement.
 - B. If the Supplier offers any CASH discount, the Suppliers agree to invoice the Authority for a price not higher than offered under the CASH discount.
- **3.06** The Authority is exempt from taxation. The Supplier shall not invoice the Authority for any state or local excise, sales, use, freight or transport or any other form of tax unless the laws of the State of New York specifically levies such tax on a public benefit corporation.

ARTICLE 4 – PAYMENT

- **4.01** The Supplier agrees to accept the unit price of \$5.240.00 for furnishing, delivering, and unloading each ton (2000 lbs/ ton) of Potassium Permanganate to the Sturgeon Point Water Treatment Plant.
- **4.02** The Supplier agrees to accept the unit price of \$5,240.00 for furnishing, delivering, and unloading each ton (2000 lbs/ ton) of Potassium Permanganate to the Jerome D. Van de Water Raw Water Pumping Station.
- **4.03** The Supplier agrees and understands the Authority will not pay interest or late charges or refund discount amounts taken after the discount period. All materials and supplies shall be priced as of the date of invoice or delivery, whichever is lower.
- **4.04** The Authority reserves the right to audit the Supplier's records to verify bills submitted and representations made. For this purpose, the Supplier agrees to make company records available for inspection upon written notice by the Authority. The Authority shall have two years from the date of Supplier's final bill to complete its audit. If the audit establishes an overcharge, the Supplier agrees to refund the excess.

ARTICLE 5 – GENERAL PROVISIONS

5.01 <u>Subcontract and Assignments</u>: The Supplier may not subcontract or delegate any of the obligations of the Supplier without the express written consent of the Authority's Executive Staff. The Authority and the Supplier bind themselves and their successors, administrators and assigns to the terms of this Agreement. The Supplier shall not assign, sublet or transfer its interest in the Agreement without the written consent of the Authority.

- **5.02** <u>Amendments:</u> The parties agree any modifications or variations from the terms of this Agreement must be in writing, authorized by a resolution of the Board of Commissioners of the Authority, and signed by all parties to be effective.
- **5.03 Right to Terminate:** The Authority reserves the right to terminate the Supplier's procurement at any time, without cause, based on seven (7) days' written notice. The Supplier shall not be entitled to lost profit and shall furnish and deliver only such materials and supplies, after notification of termination, as the Authority directs.

5.04 Indemnification:

- A. To the fullest extent permitted by law, the Supplier agrees to indemnify and hold the Authority harmless from all third party claims, liabilities, damages and costs (including all reasonable attorney's fees, and cost of defense) to which the Authority, its officers, directors and employees may be subject to, arising out of the death or bodily injury to any person or the destruction or damage to any property to the extent caused by the negligent acts, errors or omissions, or willful misconduct of the Supplier's performance under this Agreement and those of its subcontractors or anyone for whom the Supplier is legally liable.
- B. To the fullest extent permitted by law, the Authority agrees to indemnify and hold the Supplier harmless from all third party claims, liabilities, damages and costs (including all reasonable attorney's fees and cost of defense) to the extent caused by the negligent acts, errors or omissions of the Authority, its contractors, engineers, or anyone for whom the Authority is legally liable.

5.05 Insurance:

- A. The Supplier agrees to secure and maintain such insurance as will protect itself from claims under the Workers' Compensation Act; claims for damages because of bodily injury, including personal injury, sickness or disease, or death of any of its employees or of any person other than its employees; and from claims for damages because of injury to or destruction of property including loss of use resulting therefrom in the amounts indicated on Appendix B.
- B. The Supplier agrees to provide and maintain insurance that will provide coverage for claims arising out of the negligent performance of this Agreement.
- C. The Supplier agrees to provide Certificates of Insurance certifying the coverage required by this provision.
- D. The Supplier agrees to provide the name of an employee who will be responsible for providing the Authority with current and updated Certificates of Insurance. The Authority will require the name of the employee, the employee's phone number and email address.
- **5.06** <u>Warranty:</u> Unless otherwise stated in this Agreement, the Supplier agrees that the warranties as prescribed by the laws of the State of New York are and will remain in effect; that

this warranty and the time to exercise said warranty in effect at the time of the breach, if any, caused by any breach or by any hidden or latent defect will be as prescribed by the laws of the State of New York. The Supplier's obligation under this section is independent of any other obligations stated in this Agreement.

- **5.07 New York Law and Jurisdiction:** Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, any dispute concerning any question of fact or law arising under this Agreement which is not disposed of by agreement between the Supplier and the Authority shall be governed, interpreted and decided by a court of competent jurisdiction of the State of New York in accordance with the laws of the State of New York.
- **5.08 Conflicts of Interest:** The Supplier represents that it has advised the Authority in writing prior to the date of signing this Agreement of any relationships with third parties, including competitors of the Authority, which would present a conflict of interest with the rendering of the services, or which would prevent the Supplier from carrying out the terms of this Agreement or which would present a significant opportunity for the disclosure of confidential information. The Supplier will advise the Authority of any such relationships that arise during the term of this Agreement. The Authority shall then have the option to terminate the Agreement without being subject to further obligations under its terms, except for the payment for material and supplies already furnished by the Supplier. So long as the Supplier reports such a conflict as required by this section, the Supplier will have no further obligations under the terms of this Agreement.
- **5.09** <u>Additional Conditions</u>: The Supplier and the Authority acknowledge that there may be additional conditions, terms and provisions which shall apply specifically to the delivery of materials and supplies to be furnished. The parties agree to negotiate in good faith to agree upon such additional terms.
- **Entire Agreement:** This Agreement constitutes the entire understanding of the parties and no representations or agreements, oral or written, made prior to its execution shall vary or modify the terms herein. This Agreement supersedes all prior contemporaneous communications, representations, or agreements, whether oral or written with respect to the subject matter hereof and has been induced by no representations, statements or agreements other than those herein expressed. No subsequent agreement made between the parties shall be binding on either party unless reduced to writing and signed by an authorized officer of the party sought to be bound by such agreement.
- **5.11** *Independent Status*: Nothing contained in the Agreement shall be construed to render either the Authority or the Supplier, an owner, member, officer, partner, employee or agent of the other, nor shall either party have authority to bind the other in any manner, other than as set forth in this Agreement, it being intended that the Supplier shall remain an independent contractor responsible for its own actions. The Supplier is retained by the Authority only for the purpose and to the extent set forth in this Agreement.
- **5.12 Doing Business Status**: The Supplier represents it is qualified to do business in the State of New York and has registered with the New York Secretary of State.

5.13 Force Majeure: The Supplier shall not be liable to the Authority for any failure to perform the services if any such failure is caused by forces beyond Supplier's reasonable control, including without limitation, actions or inactions of any governmental agencies, changes in law, strikes, lockouts, or other industrial disturbances, acts or omissions of third-parties, civil disturbances, fires, floods, earthquakes, acts of God, acts of a public enemy or terrorism, epidemics or pandemics, including issues arising out of the COVID-19 pandemic, which may include without limitation, workforce shortages, lack of necessary supplies or Personal Protective Equipment, travel restrictions, and other restrictions resulting from public guidance and emergency orders.

5.14 Gratuities, Illegal or Improper Schemes:

- A. The Supplier shall prohibit its agents, employees and consultants from using their positions for personal financial gain, or from accepting any personal advantage from anyone under circumstances which might reasonably be interpreted as an attempt to influence the recipients in the conduct of their official duties.
- B. The Supplier or its employees shall not, under circumstances which might be reasonably interpreted as an attempt to influence the recipients in the conduct of their duties, extend any gratuity or special favor to employees of the Authority.
- C. The Authority may terminate this Agreement or any purchase order, if it is determined that gratuities in the form of entertainment, gifts or otherwise were offered or given by a Supplier, the Supplier's agent or representative to any Authority official or employee with a view towards securing favorable treatment with respect to the awarding of this Agreement or the performance of the Agreement or purchase order.
- D. The Authority may also terminate this Agreement or purchase order if it is determined that the Supplier engaged in any other illegal or improper scheme promotive of favoritism or unfairness incidental to the bidding process or the performance of the Agreement or purchase order. If it is determined that said improper or illegal acts occurred, the Authority shall be entitled to terminate the Agreement or purchase order and/or exercise any other remedy available to it under existing law.
- **5.15** *Notice:* Any notices required by this Agreement or otherwise shall be delivered by United States Postal mail or personal delivery upon the addresses hereinbefore stated. Any change in such addresses shall be required to be in writing to the other party and acknowledged as such.

ARTICLE 6 – SEVERABILITY

6.01 Any provision or part of the Agreement held to be void or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction shall be deemed stricken, and all remaining provisions shall continue to be valid and binding upon the parties, which agrees that the Agreement shall be reformed to replace such stricken provisions or part thereof with a valid enforceable provision that comes as close as possible to expressing the intent of the stricken provision. The validity and enforceability of all other provisions of this Agreement shall not otherwise be affected.

ARTICLE 7 – EXECUTORY CLAUSE

7.01 The parties agree and understand that this Agreement shall be executory to the extent of funds have been budgeted and appropriated by the Authority. The Authority shall not submit any purchase order without first determining whether funds have been budgeted and appropriated to pay for such procurement. If the Authority's Comptroller rejects or holds an invoice submitted by the Supplier due to a lack of funds in the appropriate budget line, the Supplier's only remedy would be (1) to await for a budget transfer to be approved, or (2) to accept a return of the materials and supplies F.O.B. to the point of delivery to the Supplier. The Authority shall not be subject to any further liability.

ARTICLE 8 – TERMINATION

8.01 The Authority reserves the right to terminate this Agreement in the event it is found that the Certification filed by the Supplier in accordance with New York State Finance Law §139-k was intentionally false or intentionally incomplete. Upon such finding, the Authority may exercise its termination right by providing written notification to the Supplier in accordance with the written notification terms of this Agreement.

By Jerome D. Schad, Chair	
CARUS, LLC	
By	

Kelly Frasco, Product Management Director

ERIE COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY

STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF ERIE)) ss:
Schad, to me known, who, be New York, that he is the Char	ing by me duly sworn, did depose and say that he resides in Amhers of the Board of Commissioners for the Erie County Water Authorit ment; and that he signed his name thereto by order of the Board of
Notary Public	
STATE OF ILLINOIS COUNTY OF) _) ss:
	, in the year 2022, before me personally came Kell being by me duly sworn, did depose and say that she resides i that she is the Product Management Director of the
Corporation described in the the Board of Directors of sai	above instrument; and that she signed her name thereto by order of Corporation.
Notary Public	

APPENDIX A SPECIFICATIONS

TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

FURNISH AND DELIVER POTASSIUM PERMANGANATE TO THE ERIE COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY FOR USE IN THE TREATMENT OF WATER FOR ONE YEAR FROM APRIL 1, 2022 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2023

(Project No. 202200016)

1. WORK INCLUDED:

The SUPPLIER shall furnish, deliver, and unload, F.O.B. to the point of delivery, Potassium Permanganate (KMnO₄) to the Erie County Water Authority's (the "Authority") Sturgeon Point Water Treatment Plant, and Van De Water Raw Water Pumping Station as described below.

2. CHARACTER OF POTASSIUM PERMANGANATE:

The SUPPLIER shall furnish a domestic grade of potassium permanganate (KMnO₄) which contains no organic or inorganic impurities that would have a toxic or other injurious effect or hinder the operation of the equipment when it is used to produce potable water supplied. The potassium permanganate shall conform to the requirements of AWWA Standard B603, latest version and ANSI/NSF standard 60 (Drinking Water Chemicals - Health Effects) except as modified herein. An affidavit of compliance with the above specifications is required and shall be submitted with the bid. The potassium permanganate furnished shall be not less than 97 % by weight for the technical grade and shall be a free flow grade that is compatible with a potassium permanganate educator system

3. WATER TREATMENT PLANT LOCATIONS:

A. STURGEON POINT WATER TREATMENT PLANT 722 Sturgeon Point Road, Derby, New York 14047 (Town of Evans). TELEPHONE: (716) 685-8340

B. JEROME D. VAN DE WATER -RAW WATER PUMPING STATION 3300 River Road (Route 266), Town of Tonawanda, New York 14150 TELEPHONE: (716) 685-8320

4. <u>DELIVERY AND UNLOADING:</u>

The SUPPLIER shall by e-mail, fax, or telephone provide at least 48 hours of notification confirming a shipment to the Authority (locations as noted herein). The name of the delivery operator and truck plate information shall be supplied to plant personnel prior to delivery. The delivery operator shall be required to present valid photo identification upon request.

Product shall be shipped in plastic pail form, with maximum weight of 57-lbs each, and shall be placed on wood pallets properly secured to prevent pails from falling when unloading. Pail seals shall be demonstrated intact to plant personnel prior to unloading product.

Deliveries are to be made in specified quantities on Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. on dates as scheduled by the Authority. If requested, shipments must be received within seven (7) days after the SUPPLIER is notified that a shipment is required. The Authority will accept changes in delivery schedules requested by the SUPPLIER provided that they do not interfere with the normal operation of the plant. The Authority also reserves the right to make reasonable changes in delivery schedules when necessary. It shall be the responsibility of the SUPPLIER and/or his shipping agent to prevent any contamination of the potassium permanganate during the loading, delivery, and unloading of the pails.

Equipment required to unload the potassium permanganate from the delivery truck to ground elevation must be provided by the delivery truck and capable of unloading the Potassium Permanganate in the allotted time. The AUTHORITY shall not be responsible for delays in unloading caused by either inadequate or faulty equipment supplied by the delivery truck.

5. SAFETY DATA SHEET:

The SUPPLIER is to furnish one (1) copy of the Safety Data Sheet (SDS) with each shipment delivered.

6. SAMPLING AND TESTING:

Each shipment shall be sampled and tested by the SUPPLIER in accordance with latest version of AWWA Standard B603, latest version. The SUPPLIER shall furnish the AUTHORITY a Certificate of Analysis for each shipment. The certificate of Analysis shall accompany each shipment, if feasible or should be mailed to address as shown below so as to arrive not later than five (5) days after the shipment is made:

David M. Patton PE, Senior Production Engineer ERIE COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY 3030 Union Road Buffalo, New York 14227 (716) 685-8229

7. TECHNICAL SUPPORT:

SUPPLIER shall have Chemical Manufacture technical staff available to provide Erie County Water Authority personnel with the product information and/or on-site assistance if requested.

8. PAYMENT:

Payment will be based on the net weight of potassium permanganate (KMnO₄) received. The unit price bid shall be full and complete compensation for furnishing and delivering the potassium permanganate.

The OWNER reserves the right to reweigh any shipment on a tested and sealed scale of its own choosing.

END OF BID SPECIFICATIONS

APPENDIX B INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

ERIE COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY BUFFALO, NEW YORK

FURNISH AND DELIVER POTASSIUM PERMANGANATE TO THE ERIE COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY FOR USE IN THE TREATMENT OF WATER FOR ONE YEAR FROM APRIL 1, 2022 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2023 PROJECT No. 202200016

Insurance specs:

The following minimum insurance requirements shall apply to vendors providing services to the Erie County Water Authority (the Authority). If a service or project, in the opinion of the Authority, represents an unusual or exceptional risk, the Authority may establish additional insurance requirements for that service or project. All insurance required herein shall be obtained at the sole cost and expense of the contractor, including deductibles and self-insured retentions, and shall be in full force and effect on the contract commencement date and for the lifetime use of vendors "Product" and/or applicable statute of limitation. These requirements include but are not limited to the minimum insurance requirements.

Insurance Requirements:

a. Workers Compensation:

Part 1: Workers Compensation: Statutory

Part 2: Employers Liability: \$1,000,000.

Note: If New York State domiciled employees are used, coverage to be New York Statutory for both Parts 1 and 2

b. **New York Disability Benefits Liability:** Statutory coverage if New York State domiciled employees are used.

c. Commercial General Liability:

- \$2,000,000. General Aggregate
- \$2,000,000. Products/Completed Operations Aggregate
- \$1,000,000. Each Occurrence
- \$1,000,000. Personal Injury/Advertising Liability
- · Per Project/Job Aggregate Limit Required
- Erie County Water Authority to be scheduled as an Additional Insured for both ongoing and completed operations (attach Additional Insured endorsement to Certificate of Insurance)
- · Insurance to be primary and non-contributory

d. Automobile Liability:

- \$1,000,000. Each Accident
- Erie County Water Authority to be scheduled as an Additional Insured.

e. Umbrella Liability:

- \$5,000,000. Each Occurrence
- \$5,000,000. Aggregate
- · Per Project/Job Aggregate Limit Required
- Erie County Water Authority to be scheduled as an Additional Insured

f. Pollution Liability:

- · \$5,000,000. Per Claim
- \$5,000,000. Aggregate
- Erie County Water Authority to be scheduled as an Additional Insured

Certificates of Insurance to be provided to the Authority prior to start of work as follows:

ACORD 25 including copy of Additional Insured Endorsement

Note: If coverage provided for NYS domiciled employees require Forms C 105.2 and DB 120.1 for Workers Compensation and NYS DBL.

Certificates of Insurance, on forms approved by the New York State Department of Insurance, must be submitted to the Authority prior to the award of contract. Renewals of Certificates of Insurance, on forms approved by the New York State Department of Insurance, must be received by the Authority 30 days prior to the expiration of the insurance policy period.

Certificates of Insurance and renewals, on forms approved by the New York State Department of Insurance, must be submitted to the Authority prior to the award of contract. Each insurance carrier issuing a Certificate of Insurance shall be rated by A. M. Best no lower than "A-" with a Financial Strength Code (FSC) of at least VII. The professional service provider shall name the Authority, its officers, agents and employees as additional insured on a Primary and Non-Contributory Basis, including a Waiver of Subrogation endorsement (form CG 20 26 11 85 or equivalent), on all applicable liability policies. Any liability coverage on a "claims made" basis should be designated as such on the Certificate of Insurance. Such insurance shall continue through the term of this Agreement and vendor shall purchase at his sole expense either 1) an Extended Reporting Endorsement (also, known as Tail Coverage); or 2) Prior Acts Coverage from new insurer with a retroactive date back to the date of, or prior to, the inception of this Agreement; or 3) demonstrate through Certificates of Insurance that vendor has Maintained continuous coverage with the same or original insurer. Coverage provided under items; 1), 2), or 3) will continue as long as the law allows.

To avoid confusion with similar insurance company names and to properly identify the insurance company, please make sure that the insurer's National Association of Insurance Commissioners (N.A.I.C.) identifying number or A. M. Best identifying number appears on the Certificate of Insurance. Also, at the top of the Certificate of Insurance, please list the project number.

Acceptance of a Certificate of Insurance and/or approval by the Authority shall not be construed to relieve the outside vendor of any obligations, responsibilities or liabilities.

Certificates of Insurance should be e-mailed to mmusarra@ecwa.org or mailed to Ms. Molly Jo Musarra, Claim Representative/Risk Manager Erie County Water Authority, 295 Main Street – Room 350, Buffalo, New York 14203-2494, or If you have any questions you can contact Ms. Musarra by e-mail or phone (716) 849-8465.



CERTIFICATE OF LIABILITY INSURANCE

DATE(MM/DD/YYYY) 03/21/2022

CERTIFICATE IS ISSUED AS A MATTER OF INFORMATION ONLY AND CONFERS NO RIGHTS UPON THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER. THIS THIS CERTIFICATE DOES NOT AFFIRMATIVELY OR NEGATIVELY AMEND, EXTEND OR ALTER THE COVERAGE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES BELOW. CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE DOES NOT CONSTITUTE A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE ISSUING INSURER(S), REPRESENTATIVE OR PRODUCER, AND THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER.

IMPORTANT: If the certificate holder is an ADDITIONAL INSURED, the policy(ies) must have ADDITIONAL INSURED provisions or be endorsed. If the terms and conditions of the policy, certain policies may require an endorsement. A statement on this SUBROGATION IS WAIVED, subject to certificate does not confer rights to the certificate holder in lieu of such endorsement(s)

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PRODUCER	CONTACT NAME:				
Aon Risk Services Central, Inc. Chicago IL Office 200 East Randolph Chicago IL 60601 USA	PHONE (A/C. No. Ext):	(866) 283-7122	05		
	E-MAIL ADDRESS:				
		INSURER(S) AFFORDING COVERAGE			
INSURED	INSURER A:	National Union Fire In	19445		
Carus LLC 315 Fifth Street	INSURER B:	Commerce & Industry In	19410		
P.O. Box 599	INSURER C:	Granite State Insurance Company		23809	
Peru IL 61354-2859 USA	INSURER D:	Everest Indemnity Insurance Company		10851	
	INSURER E:	Allied World Assurance	Company (US) Inc	19489	
	INSURER F:				

COVERAGES CERTIFICATE NUMBER: 570092076825 REVISION NUMBER:

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THE POLICIES OF INSURANCE LISTED BELOW HAVE BEEN ISSUED TO THE INSURED NAMED ABOVE FOR THE POLICY PERIOD INDICATED. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY REQUIREMENT, TERM OR CONDITION OF ANY CONTRACT OR OTHER DOCUMENT WITH RESPECT TO WHICH THIS CERTIFICATE MAY BE ISSUED OR MAY PERTAIN, THE INSURANCE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES DESCRIBED HEREIN IS SUBJECT TO ALL THE TERMS, EXCLUSIONS AND CONDITIONS OF SUCH POLICIES. LIMITS SHOWN MAY HAVE BEEN REDUCED BY PAID CLAIMS.

Limits shown are as requested. Limits shown are as requested

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В	Х	COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY	IIIOD	****	GL461164403	07/01/2021	07/01/2022	EACH OCCURRENCE	\$2,000,000
		CLAIMS-MADE X OCCUR						DAMAGE TO RENTED PREMISES (Ea occurrence)	\$300,000
								MED EXP (Any one person)	\$10,000
								PERSONAL & ADV INJURY	\$2,000,000
	GEN	N'L AGGREGATE LIMIT APPLIES PER:						GENERAL AGGREGATE	\$4,000,000
		POLICY X PRO- JECT LOC						PRODUCTS - COMP/OP AGG	\$4,000,000
		OTHER:							
A	AUT	TOMOBILE LIABILITY			CA 774227803	07/01/2021	07/01/2022	COMBINED SINGLE LIMIT (Ea accident)	\$2,000,000
	Х	ANYAUTO						BODILY INJURY (Per person)	
		OWNED SCHEDULED						BODILY INJURY (Per accident)	
	Х	AUTOS ONLY HIRED AUTOS ONLY ONLY AUTOS NON-OWNED AUTOS ONLY						PROPERTY DAMAGE (Per accident)	
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		EXCESS LIAB CLAIMS-MADE						AGGREGATE	\$5,000,000
		DED RETENTION							
С		DRKERS COMPENSATION AND IPLOYERS' LIABILITY			wC01459063503	07/01/2021	07/01/2022	X PER STATUTE OTH	
	AN	Y PROPRIETOR / PARTNER / EXECUTIVE						E.L. EACH ACCIDENT	\$1,000,000
	(Ma	andatory in NH)	N/A					E.L. DISEASE-EA EMPLOYEE	\$1,000,000
	If y	es, describe under SCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS below						E.L. DISEASE-POLICY LIMIT	\$1,000,000
E		nv Contr Poll			03115086 Claims Made Pollution	09/01/2021	09/01/2024	Aggregate Limit Per Occurrence Limi	\$15,000,000 \$15,000,000
DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS / LOCATIONS / VEHICLES (ACORD 101, Additional Remarks Schedule, may be attached if more space is required)									

The Auto Liability policy includes Form CA9948 (Pollution Liability - Broadened Coverage for Covered Autos). Erie County Water Authority is included as Additional Insured in accordance with the policy provisions of the General Liability, Automobile Liability and Umbrella Liability policies. General Liability evidenced herein is Primary and Non-Contributory to other insurance available to an Additional Insured, but only in accordance with the policy's provisions. A Waiver of Subrogation is granted in favor of Certificate Holder in accordance with the policy provisions of the General Liability policy.

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CERTIFICATE HOLDER	CANCELLATION		
	SHOULD ANY OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED POLICIES BE CANCELLED BEFORE THE EXPIRATION DATE THEREOF, NOTICE WILL BE DELIVERED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE POLICY PROVISIONS.		
Erie County Water Authority Attention: Mr. Anthony Alessi 295 Main Street, Room 350 Buffalo NY 14203-2494 USA	AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE		
BUITATO NY 14203-2494 USA	Aon Risk Services Central Inc.		



CERTIFICATE OF NYS WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSURANCE COVERAGE

1a. Legal Name & Address of Insured (use street address only)	1b. Business Telephone Number of Insured		
Carus Group, Inc. 315 Fifth Street	816-223-1500		
Peru, IL 61354	1c. NYS Unemployment Insurance Employer Registration Number of Insured		
	05-974274		
Work Location of Insured (Only required if coverage is specifically limited to certain locations in New York State, i.e., a Wrap-Up Policy)	1d. Federal Employer Identification Number of Insured or Social Security Number		
	36-0877400		
2. Name and Address of Entity Requesting Proof of Coverage	3a. Name of Insurance Carrier		
(Entity Being Listed as the Certificate Holder)	Granite State Insurance Co.		
Frie County Weber Authority	3b. Policy Number of Entity Listed in Box "1a"		
Erie County Water Authority Attn: Mr. Anthony Alessi	WC014590635		
295 Main Street, Room 350 Buffalo, NY 14203-2494	3c. Policy effective period		
	07/01/2021 to 07/01/2022		
	3d. The Proprietor, Partners or Executive Officers are		
	included. (Only check box if all partners/officers included)		
	all excluded or certain partners/officers excluded.		

This certifies that the insurance carrier indicated above in box "3" insures the business referenced above in box "1a" for workers' compensation under the New York State Workers' Compensation Law. (To use this form, New York (NY) must be listed under Item 3A on the INFORMATION PAGE of the workers' compensation insurance policy). The Insurance Carrier or its licensed agent will send this Certificate of Insurance to the entity listed above as the certificate holder in box "2".

The insurance carrier must notify the above certificate holder and the Workers' Compensation Board within 10 days IF a policy is canceled due to nonpayment of premiums or within 30 days IF there are reasons other than nonpayment of premiums that cancel the policy or eliminate the insured from the coverage indicated on this Certificate. (These notices may be sent by regular mail.) **Otherwise, this Certificate is valid for one year after this form is approved by the insurance carrier or its licensed agent, or until the policy expiration date listed in box "3c", whichever is earlier.**

This certificate is issued as a matter of information only and confers no rights upon the certificate holder. This certificate does not amend, extend or alter the coverage afforded by the policy listed, nor does it confer any rights or responsibilities beyond those contained in the referenced policy.

This certificate may be used as evidence of a Workers' Compensation contract of insurance only while the underlying policy is in effect.

Please Note: Upon cancellation of the workers' compensation policy indicated on this form, if the business continues to be named on a permit, license or contract issued by a certificate holder, the business must provide that certificate holder with a new Certificate of Workers' Compensation Coverage or other authorized proof that the business is complying with the mandatory coverage requirements of the New York State Workers' Compensation Law.

Under penalty of perjury, I certify that I am an authorized representative or licensed agent of the insurance carrier referenced above and that the named insured has the coverage as depicted on this form.

Approved by:	Michael Price				
	(Print name of authorized representative or licensed agent of insurance carrier)				
Approved by:	Hichae Sie	June 25, 2021			
	(Signature)	(Date)			
Title:					
Telephone Number of authorize	ed representative or licensed agent of insurance carrier:	212-770-7000			

Please Note: Only insurance carriers and their licensed agents are authorized to issue Form C-105.2. Insurance brokers are NOT authorized to issue it.

C-105.2 (9-17) www.wcb.ny.gov

Workers' Compensation Law

Section 57. Restriction on issue of permits and the entering into contracts unless compensation is secured.

- 1. The head of a state or municipal department, board, commission or office authorized or required by law to issue any permit for or in connection with any work involving the employment of employees in a hazardous employment defined by this chapter, and notwithstanding any general or special statute requiring or authorizing the issue of such permits, shall not issue such permit unless proof duly subscribed by an insurance carrier is produced in a form satisfactory to the chair, that compensation for all employees has been secured as provided by this chapter. Nothing herein, however, shall be construed as creating any liability on the part of such state or municipal department, board, commission or office to pay any compensation to any such employee if so employed.
- 2. The head of a state or municipal department, board, commission or office authorized or required by law to enter into any contract for or in connection with any work involving the employment of employees in a hazardous employment defined by this chapter, notwithstanding any general or special statute requiring or authorizing any such contract, shall not enter into any such contract unless proof duly subscribed by an insurance carrier is produced in a form satisfactory to the chair, that compensation for all employees has been secured as provided by this chapter.

CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE COVERAGE

DISABILITY AND PAID FAMILY LEAVE BENEFITS LAW

PART 1. To be completed by Disability and Paid Family Leave Ber	nefits Carrier or Licensed Insurance Agent of that Carrier				
1a. Legal Name & Address of Insured (use street address only)	1b. Business Telephone Number of Insured				
CARUS, LLC 315 FIFTH STREET PERU, IL 61354 Work Location of Insured (Only required if coverage is specifically limited to certain locations in New York State, i.e., Wrap-Up Policy)	815-224-6845 1c. Federal Employer Identification Number of Insured or Social Security Number 360877400				
2. Name and Address of Entity Requesting Proof of	3a Name of Insurance Carrier				
Coverage (Entity Being Listed as the Certificate Holder)	Market and American Art				
	HARTFORD LIFE AND ACCIDENT				
	3b Policy Number of Entity Listed in Box "1a"				
	LNY649087				
	3c Policy effective period 10-01-2021 to 09-30-2022				
4. Policy provides the following benefits:					
B. Disability benefits only. C. Paid family leave benefits only. 5. Policy covers: A. All of the employer's employees eligible under the NYS Disability and Paid Family Leave Benefits Law. B. Only the following class or classes of employer's employees:					
Under penalty of perjury, I certify that I am an authorized representative or licensed agent of the insurance carrier referenced above and that the named insured has NYS Disability and/or Paid Family Leave Benefits insurance coverage as described above.					
Date Signed 10-08-2021 Elizabeth Tello					
(Signature of insurance carrier's authorized representative or NYS Licensed Insurance Agent of that insurance carrier)					
Telephone Number (212) 553-8074 Name and Title: Eliz	zabeth Tello – Assistant Director, Statutory Services				
IMPORTANT: If Boxes 4A and 5A are checked, and this form is signed by the insurance carrier's authorized representative or NYS Licensed Insurance Agent of that carrier, this certificate is COMPLETE. Mail it directly to the certificate holder.					
If Box 4B, 4C or 5B is checked, this certificate is NOT COMPLETE for purposes of Section 220, Subd. 8 of the NYS Disability and Paid Family Leave Benefits Law. It must be mailed for completion to the Workers' Compensation Board, Plans Acceptance Unit, PO Box 5200, Binghamton, NY 13902-5200.					
PART 2. To be completed by the NYS Workers' Compensation Board (Only if Box 4C or 5B of Part 1 has been checked)					
State of New York Workers' Compensation Board According to information maintained by the NYS Workers' Compensation Board, the above-named employer has complied with the NYS Disability and Paid Family Leave Benefits Law with respect to all of his/her employees.					
Date Signed By	(Signature of Authorized NYS Workers' Compensation Board Employee)				
Telephone Number Name and Title					

Please Note: Only insurance carriers licensed to write NYS disability and paid family leave benefits insurance policies and NYS licensed insurance agents of those insurance carriers are authorized to issue Form DB-120.1. Insurance brokers are NOT authorized to issue this form.



Additional Instructions for Form DB-120.1

By signing this form, the insurance carrier identified in Box 3 on this form is certifying that it is insuring the business referenced in box "1 a" for disability and/or paid family leave benefits under the New York State Disability and Paid Family Leave Benefits Law. The Insurance Carrier or its licensed agent will send this Certificate of Insurance to the entity listed as the certificate holder in Box 2.

The insurance carrier must notify the above certificate holder and the Workers' Compensation Board within 10 days IF a policy is cancelled due to nonpayment of premiums or within 30 days IF there are reasons other than nonpayment of premiums that cancel the policy or eliminate the insured from coverage indicated on this Certificate. (These notices my be sent by regular mail.) Otherwise, this Certificate is valid for one year after this form is approved by the insurance carrier or its licensed agent, or until the policy expiration date listed in Box 3c, whichever is earlier

This certificate is issued as a matter of information only and confers no rights upon the certificate holder. This certificate does not amend, extend or alter the coverage afforded by the policy listed, nor does it confer any rights or responsibilities beyond those contained in the referenced policy.

This certificate may be used as evidence of a Disability and/or Paid Family Leave Benefits contract of insurance only while the underlying policy is in effect.

Please Note: Upon the cancellation of the disability and/or paid family leave benefits policy indicated on this form, if the business continues to be named on a permit, license or contract issued by a certificate holder, the business must provide that certificate holder with a new Certificate of NYS Disability and/or Paid Family Leave Benefits Coverage or other authorized proof that the business is complying with the mandatory coverage requirements of the New York State Disability and Paid Family Leave Benefits Law.

DISABILITY AND PAID FAMILY LEAVE BENEFITS LAW

§220. Subd. 8

- (a) The head of a state or municipal department, board, commission or office authorized or required by law to issue any permit for or in connection with any work involving the employment of employees in employment as defined in this article, and not withstanding any general or special statute requiring or authorizing the issue of such permits, shall not issue such permit unless proof duly subscribed by an insurance carrier is produced in a form satisfactory to the chair, that the payment of disability benefits and after January first, two thousand and twenty-one, the payment of family leave benefits for all employees has been secured as provided by this article. Nothing herein, however, shall be construed as creating any liability on the part of such state or municipal department, board, commission or office to pay any disability benefits to any such employee if so employed.
- (b) The head of a state or municipal department, board, commission or office authorized or required by law to enter into any contract for or in connection with any work involving the employment of employees in employment as defined in this article and notwithstanding any general or special statute requiring or authorizing any such contract, shall not enter into any such contract unless proof duly subscribed by an insurance carrier is produced in a form satisfactory to the chair, that the payment of disability benefits and after January first, two thousand eighteen, the payment of family leave benefits for all employees has been secured as provided by this article.