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Resolution to Approve the Purchase of Meter Transmitting Units from Aclara RF Systems, Inc. (\$75,000.00)

Attached is a resolution to authorize a purchase order in the amount of \$75,000.00 to Aclara RF Systems, Inc. Aclara RF Systems, Inc., is the manufacturer of the meter transmitting units (MTU's) used in the city's meters and our sole source supplier. The previous purchase order was with Elster AMCO Water, Inc., but they no longer have the distributorship for Michigan so we are now able to purchase directly from the manufacturer.

The Aclara RF Systems, Inc., MTU's make up our entire inventory for these types of meters. The MTU's will be used for the operations and maintenance requirements for new meter accounts or to replace non-warranty meters. The purchase order will also allow us to have a modest meter inventory for operations and maintenance purposes.

Sufficient funds are available in the approved FY 2011 and FY 2012, Public Services Area, Field Operations Unit, Water Supply System (\$50,000.00) and Sewage Disposal System (\$25,000.00) operating budgets. Aclara RF Systems, Inc., received Contract Compliance approval on May 17, 2011.

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Approved by: Tom Crawford, Interim City Administrator

Whereas, The inventory for the meter transmitting units (MTU's) used in the city's water meters is low and needs to be restocked;

Whereas, Aclara RF Systems, Inc., is the manufacturer of the meter transmitting units (MTU's);

Whereas, Aclara RF Systems, Inc., is the city's sole source for the MTU's;

Whereas, Approval of the purchase order will allow staff to have a modest inventory of the MTU's for

operations and maintenance purposes;

Whereas, Funds are available in the approved FY 2011 and FY 2012, Public Services Area, Field Operations Unit, Water Supply System (\$50,000.00) and Sewage Disposal System (\$25,000.00) operating budgets; and

Whereas, Aclara RF Systems, Inc., received Contract Compliance approval on May 17, 2011;

RESOLVED, That the City Administrator be authorized to issue a purchase order to Aclara RF Systems, Inc., in the amount of \$75,000.00 for the purchase of meter transmitting units from the FY 2011 and FY 2012 operating budgets of Water Supply System (\$50,000.00) and Sewage Disposal System (\$25,000.00); and

RESOLVED, That City Administrator be authorized to take any necessary actions to implement this resolution.