



Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

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Resolution # 03-1203-409

Ratification of Contract with Pure Water Works, Inc., and Authorization of Ogema to Enter Into the Contract

WHEREAS, the status of the *Gaá Čhíng Ziibi Daáwaa Aníshinaábek* (Little River Band of Ottawa Indians) as a sovereign and Treaty-making power is confirmed in numerous treaties, from agreements with the initial colonial powers on this land, to various treaties with the United States; and

WHEREAS, the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians (Tribe) is descended from, and is the political successor to, the Grand River Ottawa Bands, signatories of the 1836 Treaty of Washington (7 Stat. 491) with the United States, as reaffirmed by federal law in P.L. 103-324, enacted in 1994; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe adopted a new Constitution, pursuant to a vote of the membership on May 27, 1998, which Constitution became effective upon its approval by the Assistant Secretary-Indian Affairs on July 10, 1998; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council is authorized under Article IV, Section 7(a) to provide for the public health, peace, morals, education and general welfare of the Little River Band and its members; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council is authorized, under Article IV, Section 7(b) to authorize and ratify contracts entered into by the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, the Purchasing Manager has reviewed the expenditures of the Tribe for the current and prior fiscal years to identify purchasing activities which could be better managed through a 'master contract' with a single vendor; and

WHEREAS, the Purchasing Manager has identified that the Tribe purchase and/or utilizes bottled water services in all of its Tribal buildings and/or offices; and

WHEREAS, the Purchasing Manager received authorization to send out an RFP to vendors that provide this service, which was responded to by Pure Water Works, Inc., Culligan, and our current vendor, Clear Advantage Bottled Water, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, the Purchasing Manager has selected a responsive bid, Pure Water Works, Inc., which will result in the same quality services at a lower cost; and

WHEREAS, the Master Agreement has been reviewed by the Legal Department; and

WHEREAS, the Ogema has approved the selection of Pure Water Works, Inc., and has forwarded the contract for ratification by the Tribal Council; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has reviewed the materials presented by the Ogema had has determined that it is an appropriate action to ratify the contract;

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby ratifies the contract with Pure Water Works, Inc.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council hereby authorizes the Ogema to enter into the Master Agreement with Pure Water Works, Inc.

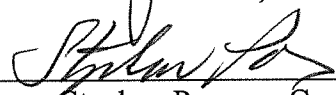
CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with 6 FOR, 1 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINING, and 2 ABSENT, at a Regular Closed Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on December 3, 2003, at the Little River Band's Downtown Offices in Manistee, Michigan, with a quorum being present for such vote.

Attest:



Janine M. Sam, Council Recorder



Stephen Parsons, Council Speaker

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