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January 23, 2007

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL City of Long Beach California

#### RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt the attached Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute an agreement with Dresser Roots Meters & Instruments, dba DMD Dresser, to provide rotary-type gas meters and other services and parts in an amount not to exceed \$150,000. The term of the agreement will be for one year with the option for two additional one-year extension periods, which will be executed at the discretion of the City Manager. (Citywide)

## DISCUSSION

City Council approval is requested to enter into an agreement with Dresser Roots Meters & Instruments (dba DMD Dresser) for the purchase of various rotary gas meters to be installed by the Long Beach Gas and Oil Department (LBGO) for LBGO customers in Long Beach and Signal Hill. Based on current standards maintained by LBGO, customer sites utilizing energy-efficient appliances require rotary-type gas meters to replace obsolete diaphragm-type meters. These meters will be replaced for LBGO customers in Long Beach and Signal Hill, on an as-needed basis. The agreement will also provide for annual recertification services and parts for LBGO's rotary meter prover equipment.

LBGO has utilized DMD Dresser rotary gas meters for the last 15 years and the majority of LBGO's large commercial customer delivery sites contain DMD Dresser proprietary equipment. LBGO staff is fully trained on the operation, maintenance, and repair of the DMD Dresser gas meters. In order to maintain the standardization of gas meters for the City's large commercial customers, reduce stock requirements for multiple types of equipment, and to avoid additional training requirements for staff, LBGO is requesting to purchase DMD Dresser gas meters without a competitive bid process.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Richard Anthony on December 28, 2006 and by Budget Management Officer David Wodynski on December 29, 2006.

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## **TIMING CONSIDERATIONS**

City Council approval is requested on January 23, 2007 to authorize the purchase of necessary meter inventory items. The term of the agreement will be for one year with the option to renew for two additional one-year periods.

## FISCAL IMPACT

The cost of this agreement, in the amount not to exceed \$150,000, is included in the Gas Fund (EF 301) and in the Long Beach Gas and Oil Department (EN). The cost of the agreement will be recovered through LBGO gas customer rates.

#### SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

CHRISTOPHER J. GARNER

DIRECTOR OF LONG BEACH GAS AND OIL

CJG: LHT: SWJ

Attachment

APPROVED:

GERALD R. MILLER

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### RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LONG BEACH AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH DRESSER ROOTS METERS & INSTRUMENTS WITHOUT ADVERTISING FOR BIDS FOR FURNISHING DRESSER ROOTS ROTARY-TYPE GAS METERS

WHEREAS, the Long Beach Gas & Oil Department ("LBGO") requires to purchase rotary-type natural gas meters in order to uphold current customer service and safety standards maintained by LBGO; and

WHEREAS, LBGO currently uses Dresser Roots rotary-type gas meters; and WHEREAS, LBGO currently possesses an inventory of replacement parts for such Dresser Roots rotary-type gas meters and LBGO employees are trained to repair and maintain such rotary-type meters; and

WHEREAS, Dresser Roots Meters & Instruments is the only dealer authorized to sell Dresser Roots rotary-type gas meters; and

WHEREAS, no useful purpose would be served by advertising for bids for rotary-type gas meters and to do so would constitute an idle and useless act and an unnecessary expenditure of public funds;

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Long Beach resolves as follows:

Section 1. That the above recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein.

Sec. 2. The City Manager is hereby authorized to enter into a one-year agreement with Dresser Roots Meters & Instruments for the purchase of rotary-type gas meters in an amount not to exceed \$150,000, and such agreement shall be extended for

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two additional one-year periods at the option of the City Manager.

Sec 3 . This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption by the City Council, and the City Clerk shall certify to the vote adopting this resolution.

f, 2007, by the following	of the City of Long Beach at its meeting o		
			vote:
	Councilmembers:	Ayes:	
	Councilmembers:	Noes:	
	Councilmembers:	Absent:	
City Clerk			

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