

EWEB Board Consent Calendar Request

For Cooperative Contracts

The Board is being asked to authorize the use of a cooperative contract for the purchase of **Maintenance, Repair, and Operations (MRO) Industrial Supplies** with **W.W. Grainger**.

Board Meeting Date: March 7, 2023
Project Name/Contract #: Industrial Supply Purchases / State PA 8496
Manager: TiaMarie Harwood Ext. 7492
Executive Officer: Deborah Hart Ext. 7695
Expected Spend: \$250,000 over 2 years

Narrative:

The Board is being asked to authorize the use of the State of Oregon Price Agreement 8496 for the purchase of as-needed Maintenance, Repair, and Operations (MRO) industrial supplies from W.W. Grainger over the next two years.

Operational Requirement and Alignment with Strategic Plan

Purchasing MRO industrial supplies is necessary for EWEB to perform essential operational tasks. The ability to purchase a steady stock of quality MRO supplies for use in our facilities as well as our infrastructure, assists us to provide reliable service and meet the needs of our customers and staff. The State of Oregon Price Agreement offers access to more than 1 billion items across Grainger's branches and distribution centers across the US. Additionally, EWEB's use of Price Agreement 8496 will allow EWEB to receive discounted pricing ranging from 11%-35% depending on the items purchased.

Purchasing Process

In November 2017, the State of Oregon issued RFP No. DASPS-2183-17 on behalf of the NASPO Value Point Cooperative Purchasing Program and its member states and other purchasing entities seeking offers from qualified and responsible proposers to provide Facilities Maintenance, Repair, and Operations (MRO) Industrial Supplies. State of Oregon as lead state awarded 13 master agreements. Price Agreement 8496 was established with W.W. Grainger to provide goods and accessories for the following categories:

- Janitorial Equip. & Supplies (does not include Sanitation Cleaning Chemicals)
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- Fasteners
- Material Handling
- Plumbing
- Power Sources
- Outdoor Garden
- Lamps, Lighting, Ballasts
- HVAC
- Hand Tools
- Power Tools (excluding automotive related tools and products)
- Electrical
- Paint
- Security
- Safety (does not include any public safety equipment)

ACTION REQUESTED:

Management requests the Board authorize the use of a cooperative contract for the purchase of as-needed MRO industrial supplies with W.W. Grainger. The items purchased under this contract are shared across multiple departments as well as warehouse stock items for the Water and Electric Utility. The contract will be budgeted accordingly, and variances will be managed within the budget process and Board policy.