

Exhibit A

COOPERATIVE PURCHASING AGREEMENT

This agreement is made and entered into this 17th day of FEBRUARY, 2004 between the City of Lynnwood ("City") and Ronald Wastewater District ("joining agency.") Pursuant to 39.34, the Interlocal Cooperation Act, the parties agree to a cooperative purchasing agreement for (1) various supplies, materials, equipment and services, using the City's competitively awarded contracts and (2) using a Shared Small Works Roster for a list of eligible public work contractors. The parties agree to the following:

Supplies, materials, equipment and services

Each agency, in contracting for the purchase of supplies, materials, equipment and services, agrees at its discretion, to extend contracts for shared use to the extent permitted by law, and agreed upon by these parties and the vendor(s).

Each agency is independently responsible for compliance with any additional or varying laws and regulations governing purchases.

Any purchases shall be effected by a purchase order from the purchasing agency and directed to the vendor(s).

The originating contracting agency does not accept responsibility or liability for the performance of any vendor used by the purchasing agency as a result of this Agreement.

Each agency shall be independently responsible for payment of any item(s) purchased through a contract or purchase order that resulted from this Agreement.

Shared Public Works Roster

The City of Lynnwood is the lead agency.

The joining agency may use the Shared Small Works Roster that has been established and maintained by the City of Lynnwood, to select contractors for public work jobs up to \$200,000 in value or as otherwise limited by ordinance or law. The Shared Small Works Roster has been established for shared use by the City of Lynnwood and other public agencies.

The City of Lynnwood and the joining agency named herein shall each be independently responsible for their own and the contractor's compliance with all additional or varying laws and regulations governing purchases, including all selection laws, retainage and bonds, prevailing wages, and any other requirements appropriate.

The City of Lynnwood shall advertise the Roster annually on behalf of both parties, shall receive and review contractor applications, maintain the list of contractors, and make that list and the applications available to the joining agency. The joining agency shall be independently responsible to determine that the selected contractors are responsible contractors according to the decision and opinion of the joining agency. The City of Lynnwood shall make an initial determination of responsibility, but this initial decision shall be for the convenience of the joining agency only and shall not constitute a decision of responsibility that the City of Lynnwood may be held liable for. It is instead the responsibility of the joining agency to determine responsibility in whatever manner that the joining agency feels is appropriate and consistent with applicable laws.

The City of Lynnwood and the joining agency shall each be independently responsible to conduct a quotation or bid process consistent with any ordinance, laws or requirements of their agency.

The City of Lynnwood and the joining agency shall each be independently responsible for issuing a contract and/or purchase order directly to the awarded contractor(s).

The City of Lynnwood does not accept responsibility or liability for the performance of any contractor used by the joining agency as a result of this Agreement.

RONALD WASTEWATER DISTRICT
A Special Purpose District Formed Pursuant to RCW Chapter 57

Resolution 04-14

**A Resolution of the Board of Commissioners of Ronald Wastewater District
Authorizing the District to Enter Into An Intergovernmental Cooperative
Purchasing Agreement With the City of Lynnwood as Allowed under RCW 39.34
and to Permit the District to Participate in the Joint Agency Small Works Roster
Presently Maintained by the City of Lynnwood.**

The City of Lynnwood, Snohomish County, State of Washington, has proposed to Ronald Wastewater District that the District join twenty four (24) other Washington Local Government Agencies that have entered into an Intergovernmental Cooperative Purchasing Agreement as is permitted under RCW 39.34, the Interlocal Cooperation Act.

Participation by the District will permit the District to increase its efficiency in bidding and contracting for supplies, material, equipment and/or services which the District may, from time to time require. Participation in the Agreement will not impose upon the District obligations of other contracting parties for supplies, material, equipment and/or services they purchase but will afford the District savings as a result of the group buying power created by such contractual arrangement. Participation in the Contract will expand the District's resources available under its current Small Works Roster and not prevent the District from maintaining its own "small works roster" for projects and emergencies where the District feels it is appropriate to do so.

The proposed Agreement does not impose any additional cost to the District for such participation and may actually reduce the Districts advertising costs and costs associated with Small Works Roster Administration.

The District's General Manager and Maintenance Manager have recommended that the Board authorize the District to enter into the Intergovernmental Cooperative Purchasing Agreement offered and presented by the City of Lynnwood.

The District's attorney has reviewed the proposed Agreement and RCW 39.34 and has reported that execution of the agreement is authorized by the Statute.

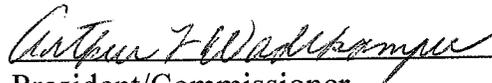
The Board concurs in the recommendation of the District's General Manager and the District's Maintenance Manager, NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of Ronald Wastewater District that the Board of Commissioners of Ronald Wastewater District does hereby authorize the District to enter into the **Intergovernmental Cooperative Purchasing Agreement** proposed by the City of Lynnwood in the form attached to this Resolution 04-14 as Exhibit "A" and the President of the Board of Commissioners of the District is hereby authorized to execute the "Agreement" on behalf of the District.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners that a copy of the signed "Agreement" together with a "Certified Copy" of this Resolution shall be forwarded to the City of Lynnwood for their records and that the City be requested to return a Certified Copy of the "Agreement" executed by the Mayor of the City with the Approval of the City Council.

ADOPTED by the Board of Commissioners of Ronald Wastewater District at its regular meeting on February 17, 2004.

ATTEST:



President/Commissioner



Secretary/Commissioner



Vice President/Commissioner

I, the undersigned Secretary of the Board of Commissioners of Ronald Wastewater District, a municipal corporation of King County, Washington, CERTIFY that the preceding document is a true and correct copy of **Resolution 04-14** of the Board, duly adopted on February 17, 2004 at its regular meeting.



Secretary/Commissioner