

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Mike Beyerstedt, Fire Chief

P.O. Box 1780 Gulfport, MS 39502

January 7, 2014

To:

Ginnie Hem, Finance Manager

From:

Mike Beyerstedt, Fire Chief

Re:

Channel Chemical / MDEQ Agreement

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On October 17, 2012, the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) initiated an administrative enforcement action against Channel Chemical Company for various violations of the Mississippi Hazardous Waste Regulations. As part of the settlement, Channel Chemical agreed to pay \$9,348.33 to the City of Gulfport Fire Department towards the agreed upon civil penalty.

Under the agreement, this money is to be spent for items to be used by the Gulfport Fire Department's Hazardous Materials Response Team. As listed in the agreement, these items are to be:

- Three (3) Level A Suites (size XL)
- Three (3) Level A Suites (size XXL)
- One (1) Multi Rae
- Fourteen (14) Spill Kits

Request a separate account be established to account for the money spent. Attached you will find a copy of the Memorandum of Agreement between Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality, Channel Chemical Company and the Gulfport Fire Department.

If any further information is needed, please don't hesitate to contact my office.

Attachments

Check #31371 MDEQ Memorandum Budget Amendment

MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY, CHANNEL CHEMICAL COMPANY, AND GULFPORT FIRE DEPARTMENT

Background. On October 17, 2012, the Mississippi Department of Environmental ("MDEQ") initiated an administrative enforcement action against Channel Chemical Company ("Channel") for various violations of the Mississippi Hazardous Waste Regulations. As part of the settlement and resolution of that enforcement action, MDEQ has agreed to allow Channel to pay \$9,348.33 to the Gulfport Fire Department ("GFD") and receive credit towards the agreed upon civil penalty. MDEQ now seeks to ensure that the GFD expends the funds for the purposes set forth below.

<u>Section 1</u>. Parties to the Agreement: The parties to this Memorandum of Agreement are MDEQ, Channel and GFD.

Section 2. Purpose of the Agreement: The purpose of this agreement is to ensure that the GFD expends the funds received from Channel for the purchase of the following items for the GFD's Hazardous Materials Response Team: 1) three Level A Suites (size XL), 2) three Level A Suites (size XXL), 3) one Multi Rae, and 4) fourteen Spill Kits as required by Agreed Order No.

Section 3. Responsibilities of Channel: Channel shall make payment to the GFD in the amount of \$9,348.33 after execution of this Memorandum of Agreement and in accordance with the associated Agreed Order to be issued by MDEQ.

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CHANNEL CHEMICAL CORPORATION 14373 SEAWAY RD. P.O. BOX 2216 GULFPORT, MS 39505-2216 PH. 228-864-6199

HANCOCK BANK 88-388/655

DATE

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Dec 31, 2013

AMOUNT

9,348.33

MS-DEQ

PAY TO THE ORDER OF:

Nine Thousand Three Hundred Forty-Eight and 33/100 Dollars

City of Gulfport Gulfport Fire Department 1410 24th Avenue Gulfport, MS 39501

EQUALITY FEATURES INCLUDE THUL WATCHMARK PAPER, HEAT SENSITIVE ICON AND FOIL HOLOGRAM

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CHANNEL CHEMICAL CORPORATION

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City of Gulfport

Check Number: 31371

Check Date: Dec 31, 2013

Duplicate

Check Amount: \$9,348.33

Item to be Paid - Description

Discount Taker

Amount Paid

9,348.33

PENALTIES EXPENSE

City of Gulfport

Budget Amendment Request

Fund Name Department # Department Name	General Fund 290 Fire		Date Budget Entry #	01/21/14
		Prior		
	Original Budget	Amendments	This Amendment	Revised Budget
Personal Services	10,752,489	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		10,752,489
Supplies	518,813			518,813
Other Services	599,407			599,407
Capital Outlay		575,756	9,348	585,104
Total	11,870,709	575,756	9,348	12,455,813
Revenue			9,348	9,348

Amendment to budget funds received for the Gulfport Fire Department's Hazardous Materials Response Team. These funds will be set up under project number 29007 in order to track adherence to the Memorandum of Agreement between MDEQ and Channel Chemical Company. This amendment is being requested by the Fire Chief.