



THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

November 22, 2013

Mr. Jeff Cook
Nicor Inc.
100 Commons Rd #7-355
Dripping Springs, TX 78620

Dear Mr. Cook:

Subject: Approval of Nicor, Inc for the Approved Materials List (Water)

This letter is in response to your application requesting the City of San Diego (City) to evaluate and approve Nicor, Inc. Read-Rite Polymer Water Meter Box Lids for the Water Approved Materials List.

The City has completed the review of this application and determined that adequate product data has been presented to approve the Nicor, Inc. Read-Rite Polymer Water Meter Box Lids on a limited basis specifically for use in the City's Automated Metering Infrastructure System Initial Implementation project.

The limited approval of this product for use in the City of San Diego Automated Metering Infrastructure System Initial Implementation Project is effective as of the date of this letter. Further use of this product and possible inclusion without limitation on the Water Approved Materials List will be evaluated after acceptance of the Automated Metering Infrastructure System project and once the warranty period has ended.

This limited project specific acceptance and approval of Nicor, Inc. Read-Rite Polymer Water Meter Box Lids is contingent on the following conditions:

- 1) The Read-Rite Polymer Water Meter Box Lids products are manufactured and assembled at three plants in Montana. The three plants are Rocky Mountain Plastics (RPM), 6065 Highway 93 North, Whitefish, MT 59937 (smaller lids and brackets), Creative Sales, 109 Canyon View, Columbia Falls, MT 59912 (large lids over 5 lbs), and Northern Plastics, 1943 Montana Highway, Kalispell, MT 59901 (oval & medium size lids).
- 2) The Nicor, Inc. Read-Rite Polymer Water Meter Box products will include the location of manufacturing, date of manufacture, manufacture lot number, model

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number, and stamped on each product. The products will have the steel bars fully encapsulated to prevent corrosion of the steel and to prevent floatation. The water meter box lids shall be produced with "SDPUD" logo. Previously produced lids with "SDWD" or "PUD Water" or "PUD Recycled Water" will be allowed to be installed until the existing inventory is depleted.

- 3) Nicor, Inc. shall notify the City in advance of any changes in the products, ownership or location of the manufacturing plants.
- 4) Nicor, Inc. shall provide application/installation procedures for the products to ensure the products meet the Standard Specifications for Public Works Construction (Greenbook) and the City's Whitebook 2012. The installer shall meet the specification conditions required for the proper installation of products as specified by Nicor, Inc. or any of Nicor, Inc.'s authorized suppliers.
- 5) Any unilateral action by Nicor, Inc. without prior consultation and agreement from the City regarding the above mentioned conditions and limitations shall constitute a breach of agreement and may result in the City revoking the aforementioned limited approval.

Congratulations on your success in being approved for use as part of the City of San Diego Automated Metering Infrastructure System Initial Implementation Project.

Sincerely,



Michael Vogl
Deputy Director of Customer Support

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