



Pinellas County

Staff Report

File #: 19-1524A, **Version:** 1

Subject:

Authority for Pinellas County to participate in a class action settlement concerning the purchase of liquid aluminum sulfate in the Federal Court case Liquid Aluminum Sulfate Antitrust Litigation; Civil Action No. 16-md-2687 (JLL) (JAD).

Recommended Action:

Approval and authorization for the County Attorney to file a claim against a portion of a class action settlement funds in the Federal Court case Liquid Aluminum Sulfate Antitrust Litigation; Civil Action No. 16-md-2687 (JLL) (JAD).

Strategic Plan:

N/A

Summary:

This authorization will allow the County Attorney to file a claim to receive a portion of the settlement funds designated for members of the class in this lawsuit.

Pinellas County has purchased liquid aluminum sulfate (Alum) directly from Defendant corporation(s) and is, therefore, entitled to a pro-rata share of the approved settlement.

The County's claim must be filed on or before November 7, 2019. The amount that the County has spent for which recovery may be sought is not yet known and County staff is researching that issue. It is not recommended that the County opt out and file an independent claim

Background Information:

N/A

Fiscal Impact:

Unknown.

Staff Member Responsible:

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Jared D. Kahn, Assistant County Attorney

Partners:

N/A

Attachments:

N/A

