



# STATE OF INDIANA

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## Award Recommendation Letter

Date: May 26, 2020

To: L. Erin Kellam, Deputy Commissioner  
Indiana Department of Administration

From: Abigail Chittenden, Senior Account Manager  
Indiana Department of Administration

Subject: Recommendation for Award of Negotiated Bid ASA-20-858  
Road Salt for INDOT, Other State Agencies, and Local Government Entities

**Total Estimated Value of Awards: \$46,352,450.94**

Based on the State's evaluation of bids received for ASA-20-858, **Cargill Inc., Compass Minerals America, Inc., and Detroit Salt Company LLC** are recommended for a split award to provide Road Salt for INDOT, Other State Agencies, and Local Government Entities by the salt types, districts, and entities specified below. Terms of the award recommendation are outlined in this letter.

### TREATED SALT

Line Items	INDOT District	Entity Type	Recommended Bidder
1-3	Crawfordsville District	INDOT and Other State Agencies	Cargill Inc.
4-5	Crawfordsville District	Local Government Entities	Cargill, Inc.
6-8	Fort Wayne District	INDOT and Other State Agencies	N/A – No Services Requested in this Area
9-10	Fort Wayne District	Local Government Entities	Cargill, Inc.
11-13	Greenfield District	INDOT and Other State Agencies	Cargill, Inc.
14-15	Greenfield District	Local Government Entities	Cargill, Inc.
16-18	LaPorte District	INDOT and Other State Agencies	N/A – No Services Requested in this Area
19-20	LaPorte District	Local Government Entities	Cargill, Inc.
21-23	Seymour District	INDOT and Other State Agencies	N/A – No Services Requested in this Area
24-25	Seymour District	Local Government Entities	Cargill, Inc.
26-28	Vincennes District	INDOT and Other State Agencies	Cargill, Inc.
29-30	Vincennes District	Local Government Entities	Cargill, Inc.

### UNTREATED SALT

Line Items	INDOT District	Entity Type	Recommended Bidder
31-33	Crawfordsville District	INDOT and Other State Agencies	Detroit Salt Company
34-35	Crawfordsville District	Local Government Entities	Detroit Salt Company
36-38	Fort Wayne District	INDOT and Other State Agencies	Compass Minerals America
39-40	Fort Wayne District	Local Government Entities	Compass Minerals America
41-43	Greenfield District	INDOT and Other State Agencies	Cargill, Inc.
44-45	Greenfield District	Local Government Entities	Cargill, Inc.
46-48	LaPorte District	INDOT and Other State Agencies	Compass Minerals America
49-50	LaPorte District	Local Government Entities	Cargill, Inc.
51-53	Seymour District	INDOT and Other State Agencies	Cargill, Inc.
54-55	Seymour District	Local Government Entities	Cargill, Inc.
56-58	Vincennes District	INDOT and Other State Agencies	Compass Minerals America
59-60	Vincennes District	Local Government Entities	Compass Minerals America

ASA-20-858 requested the items listed below.

**TREATED SALT**

Line Item	INDOT District	Entity	Commitment Range	2020/2021 Early Fill Quantity (100%)	2020/2021 Seasonal Quantity (100%)	Unit of Measure	Delivery Method
1	10-Crawfordsville	INDOT & Other State Agencies	80%-120%	0	5,717	TON	Delivered
2						TON	Delivered & Loaded
3						TON	Pick Up
4		Local Governmental Entities	80%-120%	0	13,985	TON	Delivered
5						TON	Pick Up
6	20-Fort Wayne	INDOT & Other State Agencies	80%-120%	0	0	TON	Delivered
7						TON	Delivered & Loaded
8						TON	Pick Up
9		Local Governmental Entities	80%-120%	0	2,295	TON	Delivered
10						TON	Pick Up
11	30-Greenfield	INDOT & Other State Agencies	80%-120%	0	275	TON	Delivered
12						TON	Delivered & Loaded
13						TON	Pick Up
14		Local Governmental Entities	80%-120%	0	50,305	TON	Delivered
15						TON	Pick Up
16	40-LaPorte	INDOT & Other State Agencies	80%-120%	0	0	TON	Delivered
17						TON	Delivered & Loaded
18						TON	Pick Up
19		Local Governmental Entities	80%-120%	0	28,560	TON	Delivered
20						TON	Pick Up
21	50-Seymour	INDOT & Other State Agencies	80%-120%	0	0	TON	Delivered
22						TON	Delivered & Loaded
23						TON	Pick Up
24		Local Governmental Entities	80%-120%	0	12,585	TON	Delivered
25						TON	Pick Up
26	60-Vincennes	INDOT & Other State Agencies	80%-120%	0	65	TON	Delivered
27						TON	Delivered & Loaded
28						TON	Pick Up
29		Local Governmental Entities	80%-120%	0	860	TON	Delivered
30						TON	Pick Up

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Line Item	INDOT District	Entity	Commitment Range	2020/2021 Early Fill Quantity (100%)	2020/2021 Seasonal Quantity (100%)	Unit of Measure	Delivery Method
31	10-Crawfordsville	INDOT & Other State Agencies	80%-120%	0	56,817	TON	Delivered
32						TON	Delivered & Loaded
33						TON	Pick Up
34		Local Governmental Entities	80%-120%	0	13,640	TON	Delivered
35						TON	Pick Up
36	20-Fort Wayne	INDOT & Other State Agencies	80%-120%	0	65,000	TON	Delivered
37						TON	Delivered & Loaded
38						TON	Pick Up
39		Local Governmental Entities	80%-120%	0	35,420	TON	Delivered
40						TON	Pick Up
41	30-Greenfield	INDOT & Other State Agencies	80%-120%	0	65,082	TON	Delivered
42						TON	Delivered & Loaded
43						TON	Pick Up
44		Local Governmental Entities	80%-120%	0	14,290	TON	Delivered
45						TON	Pick Up
46	40-LaPorte	INDOT & Other State Agencies	80%-120%	0	66,550	TON	Delivered
47						TON	Delivered & Loaded
48						TON	Pick Up
49		Local Governmental Entities	80%-120%	0	68,020	TON	Delivered
50						TON	Pick Up
51	50-Seymour	INDOT & Other State Agencies	80%-120%	0	37,100	TON	Delivered
52						TON	Delivered & Loaded
53						TON	Pick Up
54		Local Governmental Entities	80%-120%	0	12,270	TON	Delivered
55						TON	Pick Up
56	60-Vincennes	INDOT & Other State Agencies	80%-120%	0	12,000	TON	Delivered
57						TON	Delivered & Loaded
58						TON	Pick Up
59		Local Governmental Entities	80%-120%	0	6,250	TON	Delivered
60						TON	Pick Up

The State of Indiana received responses from five (5) bidders:

- American Rock Salt Co LLC
- Cargill, Inc.
- Compass Minerals America Inc.
- Detroit Salt Company LLC
- Morton Salt, Inc.

American Rock Salt Co LLC claimed and qualified for the U.S. Manufactured Preference for all line items bid. Cargill, Inc. claimed and qualified for the Indiana Business Preference, as well as the U.S. Manufactured Preference for all line items. Compass Minerals America, Inc. claimed and qualified for the U.S. Manufactured Preference for select line items bid. Detroit Salt Company LLC claimed and qualified for the U.S. Manufactured Preference for select line items bid. Morton Salt, Inc. claimed and qualified for the U.S. Manufactured Preference for all line items bid. The Indiana Business Preference was applied to the qualified bid and was included during price evaluation. Please refer to the attached .xls file, **Attachment A**, for detailed preference information by line item.<sup>1</sup>

When necessary, the bidders were asked to clarify their responses in order to ensure State needs were met. The bids were evaluated by the Indiana Department of Administration according to the criteria established in the bid documents.

**Award Summary**

The table below outlines the award summary for ASA-20-858. Please refer to the attached .xls file, **Attachment A**, for a detailed summary.

Bidder	Line Items Awarded	Total Evaluation Amount	Preferences	Total Award Amount
Cargill, Inc.	<u>Treated Salt:</u> Line items 1-5, 9-15, 19-20, 24-30 <u>Untreated Salt:</u> Line items 41-45, 49-55	\$25,556,414.08	Indiana Business Preference and US Manufactured <sup>1</sup>	\$25,858,728.60
Compass Minerals America, Inc.	<u>Untreated Salt:</u> Line items 36-40, 46-48, 56-60	\$14,520,235.60	US Manufactured <sup>1</sup>	\$14,520,235.60
Detroit Salt Company	<u>Untreated Salt:</u> Line items 31-35	\$5,973,486.74	US Manufactured <sup>1</sup>	\$5,973,486.74
				<b>\$46,352,450.94</b>

During the course of the evaluation, proposals were scrutinized to determine the viability of the proposed business solutions to meet the needs of the State.

The term of each initial contract shall be for a period of one (1) year from the date of contract execution. There may be three (3) one year renewals for a total of four (4) years, at the State’s option.

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<sup>1</sup> The Indiana Department of Administration has determined the purchase of road salt manufactured in the United States is not in the public interest due to the added cost of granting this purchasing preference during the pandemic while the state and local governments are experiencing severe revenue shortfalls. See Ind. Code § 5-22-15-21(c)(4).