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Transportation Committee

Meeting Date: June 28, 2010

Metropolitan Council Meeting: July 14, 2010

ADVISORY INFORMATION

Date: June 18, 2010

Subject: Central Corridor Light Rail Transit: Independent Testing

Services During Construction

Districts, Member(s): All

Policy/Legal

Reference: Procurement of Professional Services

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Division/Department: Metro Transit / Central Corridor Project Office

Proposed Action/Motion

Authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute a contract with Stork Twin City Testing Corporation to conduct independent testing services during construction of the Central Corridor Light Rail Transit (CCLRT) Project for an amount not to exceed \$435,000.

Background

Central Corridor Project Office (CCPO) requires the services of a qualified firm to conduct independent testing services during construction of the Central Corridor LRT project. The purpose of this work is to conduct testing and inspection (code compliance) as identified in the contract documents.

Two proposals were received in response to an advertised Request for Proposals (RFP). The selection panel evaluated each firm's response on technical criteria. The panel rated Stork Twin City Testing Corporation the highest qualified. Stork Twin City Testing Corporation's fee proposal is approximately six percent below the independent cost estimate.

The Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) goal was 15%. Stork Twin City Testing Corporation has met the goal based on participation and good faith efforts.

Rationale

The execution of professional services contracts in excess of \$250,000 requires Council approval.

Funding

The CCLRT Project has available funds from the Counties Transit Improvement Board, Regional Rail Authorities, and 2009 FTA New Starts grant for this activity.

Known Support/Opposition

No known opposition.