Committee Report

Environment Committee
For the Metropolitan Council meeting of February 13, 2008

Item: 2008 - 16

ADVISORY INFORMATION

Date Prepared: January 28, 2008

Subject: Authorization to Award and Execute a Contract for Uniform Rental Services for

Metropolitan Council Environmental Services (MCES), Contract 07P131

Proposed Action:

That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to award and execute a 5-year contract to provide Uniform Rental Services for MCES staff with AmeriPride Services Inc. for a total of \$466,124.60.

Summary of Committee Discussion / Questions:

In response to questions from committee members, staff confirmed that this award had been pulled from the January 8 Environment Committee agenda because the low bidder had requested that its bid be withdrawn from consideration due to an error.

Business Item

Environment Committee
Meeting date: January 22, 2008

Item: 2008-16

For Metropolitan Council Meeting of February 13, 2008

ADVISORY INFORMATION

Date: January 2, 2008

Subject: Authorization to Award and Execute a Contract for Uniform Rental

Services for Metropolitan Council Environmental Services (MCES),

Contract 07P131

District(s), Member(s): All

Policy/Legal Reference: Council Policy 3-3 Expenditures – Procurement of Goods and

Services Over \$250,000

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Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to award and execute a 5-year contract to provide Uniform Rental Services for MCES staff with AmeriPride Services Inc. for a total of \$466,124.60.

Background

MCES staff involved in the collection and treatment of wastewater are provided with uniforms to maintain a professional appearance and to satisfy OSHA requirements.

A formal Invitation for Bids (IFB) was issued for uniform rental services, which include the supply and laundering of uniforms and related items such as floor mats and roll towels, and laundering of other Councilowned garments such as lab coats and coveralls. Four bids were received on December 10, 2007, ranging in amounts from \$302,112 to \$478,456. The low bidder requested to withdraw their bid based on an error in their proposal. Staff has reviewed their documents and concur that an error was made. The lowest responsive, responsible bidder was determined to be AmeriPride Services Inc.

Rationale

Uniforms are required to maintain a professional appearance and to satisfy OSHA requirements.

Funding

Funding is provided from annual operating budgets of individual departments utilizing this service.

Known Support / Opposition

None are known.