#### **Committee Report**

Item: 2009 - 28

Environment Committee

### For the Metropolitan Council meeting of January 28, 2009

# ADVISORY INFORMATION

## Date Prepared: January 21, 2009

Subject: Authorization to Negotiate and Execute Engineering Services Agreement for Metropolitan Wastewater Treatment Plant Sludge Collection Equipment, MCES Project No. 805900

### **Proposed Action:**

That the Metropolitan Council authorizes its Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute an engineering services agreement with Bolton & Menk for Metropolitan Wastewater Treatment Plant Sludge Collection Equipment, MCES Project No. 805900, Contract No. 08P158.

### Summary of Committee Discussion / Questions:

At the request of Committee member Wittsack, staff confirmed that the amount of the agreement is \$297,400. Note: At the meeting, staff informed the Committee that the Office of Diversity is in the process of reviewing the MBE/WBE participation goals submitted by Bolton & Menk. Diversity has since determined Bolton & Menk has shown good faith efforts to reach the participation goals.

The proposed action was moved, seconded, and passed unanimously.

## **Business Item**

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Environment Committee

Meeting date: January 13, 2009

For the Metropolitan Council Meeting on January 28, 2009				
ADVISORY INFORMATION				
Date:	January 7, 2009			
Subject:	Authorization to Negotiate and Execute Engineering Services Agreement for Metropolitan Wastewater Treatment Plant Sludge Collection Equipment, MCES Project No. 805900			
District(s), Member(s):	All			
Policy/Legal Reference:	Council Policy 3-3, Expenditures			
Staff Prepared/Presented:	Bryce Pickart, 651-602-1091			
Division/Department:	MCES c/o William G. Moore, 602-1162			

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# Background

Primary settling tanks (8) and final settling tanks (24) are integral parts of the Metro Plant's wastewater treatment process. These rectangular tanks use a system of metallic chains, flights, sprockets, etc. to collect sludge that settles to the bottom of the tanks. This equipment is near the end of its service life. Analysis of life cycle costs, industry experience, and MCES experience on twelve final settling tanks has led to the recommendation that the metallic equipment should be replaced with non-metallic equipment.

This business item recommends award of an engineering services contract to specify the equipment and its installation and to provide bidding and construction phase services. A formal Request for Proposals has been issued. Two firms responded: Bolton & Menk and TKDA. Evaluation criteria are work plan, qualifications, experience and price. The evaluation committee recommends selection of Bolton & Menk.

This project is PFA loan eligible, with participation goals of 11.5% women-owned business and 3.5% minorityowned business. Bolton & Menk has proposed 15% women-owned business participation.

# Rationale

• Engineering services agreements exceeding \$250,000 require Council authorization.

# Funding

BUDGET INFORMATION							
Annual or		Estimated		Unencumbered	Requested		
Capital	Project No.	Project Cost	Current Auth.	Funds	Amount		
Capital	805900	\$15,000,000	\$16,000,000	\$15,990,000	\$297,400		

# **Known Support / Opposition**

None.