

# E Environment Committee

Item: 2010-357

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of October 27, 2010

## ADVISORY INFORMATION

Date Prepared: October 13, 2010

Subject: Authorization to Award and Execute a Contract for Waste Incinerator Ash Disposal Services at the Metro and Seneca Wastewater Treatment Plants

### **Proposed Action:**

That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to execute a contract with SKB Environmental for \$793,600 to provide waste incinerator ash disposal services at the Metro and Seneca Wastewater Treatment Plants for the period January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2012.

### **Summary of Committee Discussion / Questions:**

Council Member Scherer asked how this contract price compares to the last one. Staff responded that there is a slight increase; the current contract is \$16.95 per ton, compared to this contract price of \$17.25 per ton.

Motion to approve the proposed action was made, seconded, and passed unanimously.

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Meeting date: October 12, 2010

For the Metropolitan Council Meeting of October 27, 2010

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<b>Date:</b>	September 29, 2010
<b>Subject:</b>	Authorization to Award and Execute a Contract for Waste Incinerator Ash Disposal Services at the Metro and Seneca Wastewater Treatment Plants
<b>District(s), Member(s):</b>	District #13, Richard Aguilar; District #15, Daniel Wolter
<b>Policy/Legal Reference:</b>	Council Policy 3-3 Expenditures – Procurement of Goods and Services Over \$250,000
<b>Staff Prepared/Presented:</b>	Micky Gutzmann 651-602-1741, Larry Rogacki 651-602-8225
<b>Division/Department:</b>	MCES c/o William G. Moore 651-602-1162

### Proposed Action

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### Background

A formal Invitation for Bids for ash disposal services was issued September 1st of this year, allowing bidders to submit unit price bids for this service. Two bids were received on September 28, 2010. Bid amounts ranged from \$793,600 to \$1,280,500. SKB Environmental was the lowest responsive, responsible bidder. The unit price for waste ash disposal will fixed at \$17.25 per ton for the term of the contract.

The SKB landfill is located in Rosemount, Minnesota and is permitted by the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) and Dakota County. MCES staff have visited the landfill as part of the previous contract and made inquiries to the MPCA and Dakota County in regards to the operation of the landfill.

MPCA and Dakota County advised us that the site was well run and uses advanced techniques for the management of surface water runoff, which helps to minimize contact with the operating face and uncovered waste. MPCA and Dakota County stated that SKB has not had any permit violations.

Total cost for this service during the term of the contract is dependent on waste ash production, which is estimated at 23,000 tons per year.

### Rationale

The Metropolitan and Seneca Wastewater Treatment Plants require waste incinerator ash disposal services on a continuous basis. The current contract for these services with SKB will end December 31, 2010.

Contracts with an amount exceeding \$250,000 require Metropolitan Council authorization.

### Funding

Funds are available in the annual operating budgets of the Metro and Seneca Wastewater Treatment plants.

### Known Support / Opposition

None.