

## **Environment Committee**

Meeting date: August 9, 2011

For the Metropolitan Council Meeting of August 24, 2011

**ADVISORY INFORMATION** 

Date: August 3, 2011

**Subject:** Authorization to Negotiate and Execute an Electrical

Engineering Services Agreement, Contract No. 11P121

Business Item: 2011-216

District(s), Member(s): All

Policy/Legal Reference: Policy 3-3, Expenditures

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### **Proposed Action**

The Metropolitan Council authorizes its Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute an electrical engineering services agreement in the amount of \$1,000,000 with Camp, Dresser & McKee, Inc. (CDM), Contract No. 11P121.

### **Background**

Arc flash is the energy released from an electrical device from a number of causes that travels through the air and may cause facility damage and/or personnel injury.

The MCES recently completed a system-wide review of the electrical devices relative to arc flash and found a number of devices that were rated 3, 4 and above category. Those designations have in some cases provided a negative impact to our operations procedures. This work is to develop and design improvements to lower those higher rated devices to levels that are more acceptable to our operating procedures.

An RFP was issued on 06/28/2011 to provide these services. Eighteen (18) proposals were received on 07/28/2011. The evaluation panel met and ranked the proposals based on the evaluation criteria established in the RFP. Those criteria were Proposal Quality, Experience and Qualifications, and Price.

The evaluation committee ranked the CDM proposal as the most advantageous to the Council and recommends award to them.

#### Rationale

Engineering service agreements exceeding \$250,000 require Metropolitan Council authorization.

## **Funding**

Funding for the project is provided in the 2011 Authorized Capital Program in project nos. 805995, 801845, 809051, and 800617.

# **Known Support / Opposition**

There is no known opposition.