

**T** Transportation Committee  
Meeting date: January 31, 2011  
Metropolitan Council Meeting: February 9, 2011

**ADVISORY INFORMATION**

<b>Date:</b>	January 6, 2011
<b>Subject:</b>	Contract for Metro Transit Facilities Drain Cleaning and Disposal Services
<b>District(s), Member(s):</b>	All
<b>Policy/Legal Reference:</b>	Council Procurement Policy
<b>Staff Prepared/Presented:</b>	Brian Lamb, General Manager, MT, 612/349-7510 Tom Thorstenson, Director, E/F, 612/349-7689 Wayne Schafer, Assistant Director, E/F, 612/349-7340
<b>Division/Department:</b>	Metro Transit Engineering and Facilities

**Proposed Action**

Authorize the Regional Administrator to execute a contract with Root-O-Matic for drain cleaning, sump cleaning and disposal services at Metro Transit facilities.

**Background**

All Metro Transit maintenance facilities require periodic drain and sump cleaning services. The service consists of regularly scheduled cleaning of sumps and drains, as well as cleaning on an as-needed basis, together with the proper disposal of the waste collected. Existing services have been provided through a three year contract that is nearing expiration. The existing contract was valued at \$361,500.

The Council received six bids on January 4, 2011 ranging in value from \$361,560 to \$1,386,150. The low bid of \$361,560 submitted by Root-O-Matic compares favorably with the estimate of \$475,000.

**Rationale**

Drain and sump cleaning services, along with proper waste disposal is an essential maintenance function. The existing services provided under a three year contract, are coming to an end. The low bid of \$361,560, for another three year period, was obtained competitively and compares favorably with the estimate.

**Funding**

Funds are available within the Engineering and Facilities operating budget. A Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) goal was not established for this procurement as federal funding is not being used.

**Known Support / Opposition**

There is no known opposition to the proposed action.