

E Environment Committee

Meeting date: March 13, 2007

For the Metropolitan Council Meeting of March 28, 2007

ADVISORY INFORMATION

Date:	March 6, 2007
Subject:	Authorization to Reject All Proposals for Design/Build of Wastewater Facilities Security Improvements – Monitoring & Access Control, MCES Project Number 801700, Contract 05P114
District(s), Member(s):	All
Policy/Legal Reference:	Council Policy 3-3, Expenditures
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Proposed Action/Motion

That the Metropolitan Council authorize its Regional Administrator to reject all proposals for a design/build contract for Wastewater Facilities Security Improvements – Monitoring & Access Control portion, MCES Project Number 801700.

Issue(s)

- Design-Build contract awards and rejections exceeding \$1,000,000 require Metropolitan Council authorization.

Overview and Funding

This is the second of two contracts for the system-wide Metropolitan Area Wastewater Facility Security Improvements at the treatment and interceptor facilities. These improvements provide the electronic monitoring equipment and access control systems. Improvements include a Metro Plant centralized monitoring and control center. Improvements at 10 plant and interceptor facilities include entrance electronic controls, internal access controls and monitoring equipment.

The first contract included site work and general construction that upgraded the Metro Plant main northwest entrance by demolishing the West Screen and Grit building and constructing parking and a new West Guard house. It also is constructing site hardening and entrance control at other treatment and interceptor facilities. That contract also included the Metropolitan Liquid Waste Discharge Site Project 803300 at the Metro Plant that constructed a new liquid waste receiving facility on the west side that will replace the existing discharge site currently located at 3rd and Commercial Streets in St. Paul.

Four (4) proposals were received and opened on November 17, 2006. The lowest price design/build proposal was \$2,000,000 higher than the \$3,000,000 available in the 2007 MCES Authorized Capital Program, Project Number 801700. MCES staff propose to re-evaluate the components of this contract to include only the highest priority work, thereby reducing costs to be within the 2007 Authorized Capital Program. New proposals will be solicited via revised Request for Proposals.