

## Environment Committee

Meeting date: July 9, 2013

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of July 24, 2013

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**Subject:** Authorization to Award and Execute a Construction Contract for Metro Trailer Holding Building Renovation; Metro MCC Room HVAC Rehabilitation; Metro F&I No. 1 Building Demolition and Double Barrel Phase 2; Elevator Upgrades at Metro, RMF and Seneca; and Metro Water System Improvements; MCEs Project Nos. 805997, 805931, 800719, 805992, 805924, 806960 and 805962; Contract No. 13P033

**District(s), Member(s):** All

**Policy/Legal Reference:** Policy 3-3, Expenditures

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### Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council authorizes its Regional Administrator to award and execute a Construction Contract for Contract No. 13P033, with Rice Lake Construction Group for its low, responsive bid of \$15,877,000.

### Background

This project continues the implementation of the capital improvement program identified in the adopted Facility Plan for Metro WWTP Rehabilitation and Facilities Improvements.

1. Metro F&I No. 1 Building, constructed in 1936 as part of the original plant, will be demolished.
2. Metro Trailer Holding Building will be repurposed for equipment storage.
3. Metro plant water systems will be upgraded to improve flows and pressures.
4. Rehabilitation of the Metro Double Barrel Interceptor will be completed.
5. Cooling capacity of HVAC systems will be increased at four Metro MCC and computer rooms to protect electrical equipment.
6. Elevators at Metro Plant, Seneca, and Regional Maintenance Facility will be upgraded or abandoned to comply with the 2007 changes to the Minnesota Elevator Code.

Four bids, ranging from \$14,715,901 to \$17,343,269 were received May 23, 2013. The engineer's estimate was \$17,407,068. The apparent low bidder, AP Midwest, LLC, withdrew their bid due to an error. The lowest, responsive bid is from Rice Lake Construction in the amount of \$15,877,000. Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) participation goals are 9% minority-owned and 9% women-owned businesses. The Office of Equal Opportunity passes the DBE participation submitted by Rice Lake.

### Rationale

Construction contracts exceeding \$1,000,000 require Metropolitan Council authorization.

**Funding**

2013 MCES Authorized Capital Program

Currently Authorized	\$23,000,000
Unencumbered Funds	\$18,200,000
Requested Amount	\$15,877,000

**Known Support / Opposition**

None.