Environment Committee

Meeting date: June 13, 2017

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of June 28, 2017

Subject: Telecommunications Equipment Contract for the Metro Plant

District(s), Member(s): All

Policy/Legal Reference: Council Policy 3-3 Expenditures

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Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council authorize its Regional Administrator to award Contract 17P053 in the amount of \$595,323.07 to CDW LLC for the purchase of Cisco network equipment, which includes access points, switches and controllers.

Background

New network equipment is needed to renew the plant control system for integration of Wi-Fi Technology, as recommended in the Metropolitan Wastewater Treatment Plant Asset Renewal Facility Plan, (adopted by the Council February 24, 2016).

Three bids were received collected from the State of Minnesota Cooperative Procurement Venture on May 19, 2017; \$595,323.07 from CDW, \$725,801.81 from Works Computing, \$757,044.39 from Insight. CDW is was determined to be the lowest responsive and responsible bidder.

The Wi-Fi network will be installed by others under a construction contract (number 17P054). Telecommunications equipment will be configured and maintained by the Support Services Business Unit.

Rationale

Procurement of Goods and Services over \$500,000 in value require Metropolitan Council authorization.

Thrive Lens Analysis

This action advances the Thrive Outcome of Stewardship by efficiently and effectively preserving our regional wastewater treatment plant assets.

Funding

Funding is provided in the 2017 Authorized Capital Program.

Known Support / Opposition

None

