

Environment Committee

Meeting date: April 13, 2021

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of April 28, 2021

Subject: Metro Lime Kiln Dust, Contract 20P299

District(s), Member(s): All

Policy/Legal Reference: Council Expenditure Policy 3-3, Procurement of Goods and Services

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Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council authorizes the Regional Administrator to award and execute a contract to Omni Materials Inc. for lime kiln dust delivered to the Metropolitan Wastewater Treatment Plant. This contract will be for a period of four years with a total procurement not to exceed \$1,476,000.

Background

Lime kiln dust is used during sludge loadout operations. When incinerator capacity is reduced, sludge loadout is used to transport biosolids to a landfill for disposal. For biosolids to be disposed of in a landfill, they must meet Class B pathogen reduction standards according to Minnesota Rules Chapter 7041. To meet Class B pathogen reduction standards, lime kiln dust is used to raise the pH of the biosolids.

A previous contract was awarded in May 2017 and is now up for renewal.

The Invitation for bids (IFB) was advertised on January 4, 2021. A pre-bid meeting was held on January 19, 2021. There were two (2) plan holders. Procurement facilitated an online public bid opening on February 4, 2021 where one (1) bid was received. An Adequate Competition Determination (ACD) was completed.

The Office of Equal Opportunity (OEO) did not submit a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) goal on this project due to the very specialized goods and lack of DBE suppliers available to provide the goods. The purchase orders will be for a period of four (4) years at a price of \$86.00/ton for first two years and a price of \$88.00/ton for the second two years.

Rationale

The award and execution of Goods contracts in excess of \$500,000 requires Council approval.

Thrive Lens Analysis

This action advances the Thrive outcome of stewardship. Public financial resources will be invested efficiently and effectively to maintain proper operation of the Metropolitan Disposal System which protects the region's natural resources.

Funding

Funds are available through the Metro Plant annual operating budget.

Known Support / Opposition

No known opposition.