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## **TO THE HONORABLE PRESIDENT AND MEMBERS OF THE SEWERAGE AND WATER BOARD OF NEW ORLEANS**

The **Operations Committee** of the Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans met on Monday, August 4, 2014, at 9:00 A.M. in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Board Room, 625 St. Joseph Street to address the following matters:

### **ACTION ITEMS**

#### **APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS REPORT**

The report of the Operations Committee Meeting held on Monday, February, 3, 2014 was received and approved by a motion of Mr. Mark Moody and seconded by Mrs. Kimberly Thomas.

There was no meeting for the month of July, 2014. All action items were presented to the Executive Committee at it's meeting of July 11, 2014.

#### **BID RECOMMENDATIONS – DBE PARTICIPATION**

##### **Contract #1378: Hurricane Related Repairs to Boilers/Duct/Elevator at Main Purification Plant Power Complex**

On Friday, July 18, 2014, two (2) bids were received for subject contract. The bid totals are as follows:

Plant-N-Power Services, LLP	\$ 15,928,241.00
Lou-Con, Inc.	\$ 19,898,200.00

The estimated budget is \$ 16,000,000.00.

Twenty percent (20%) SLDBE participation was requested on this contract.

The apparent lowest bidder, Plant-N-Power Services, LLP, submitted the following subcontractors:

**Jesus is Lord Plumbing** (eligible certified SLDBE) to replace tank in basement and miscellaneous plumbing  
\$50,000.00 — 0.31%

**Cole Construction** (certified SLDBE) excavate area and install foundation for Grey H<sub>2</sub>O System (eligible), perform road excavating (eligible), and provide personnel (non-eligible)  
\$672,000.00 — 4.22% (eligible participation)  
\$160,000.00 — 1.00% (non-eligible participation)

**Affordable Trucking Contractors, LLC** (eligible certified SLDBE) Asbestos removal and disposal  
\$500,000.00 — 3.14%

**Delta Personnel** (eligible certified SLDBE) to provide labor personnel  
\$250,000.00 — 1.57%

**Choice Supply Co.,** (eligible certified SLDBE) to provide boiler tubes for boilers and condensers  
\$1,800,000.00 — 11.30%

SLDBE Participation totals: **\$3,272,000.00 — 20.54%**

The apparent second lowest bidder, Lou-Con, Inc., failed to meet the 20% SLDBE Participation goal, or submit a documented Good Faith Effort with a notarized affidavit.

Based upon analysis of SLDBE participation, the Economically Disadvantaged Business Program recommends that the SLDBE participation submitted by Lou-Con, Inc., be rejected, and that the SLDBE participation submitted Plant-N-Power Services, LLP be accepted.

The recommendations on subject contract were accepted and approved by a motion of Mr. Moody and seconded by Mr. Scott Jacobs. The motion carried.

### **CONSTRUCTION REVIEW COMMITTEE**

No new construction projects were submitted to the Construction Review Committee for the month of July 2014.

### **STAFF CONTRACT REVIEW COMMITTEE**

The Staff Contract Review Committee met on July 15, 2014, and made the following recommendations:

#### **Open Market Contracts**

**Open Market, 0% SLDBE Participation, three (3) years with two (2) one year renewal options.**

**1. RFP Utility Advisory Service for Daily Operations of Sewerage & Water Board of New Orleans**

Estimated Cost Range:

Percentage Goal Justification:

Between \$2,000.00 to \$24,000.00

Does not lend itself to SLDBE participation because it is not fiscally wise or practical to require an executive advisor

to subcontract the uniqueness of the specialized services.

Funding Source:  
Operating and Maintenance Budget

**Open Market, 0% SLDBE Participation, one (1) year with a one (1) year renewal option.**

**2. Furnishing Brass Water Service Fittings**

Budget Amount:

\$400,000.00

Percentage Goal Justification:

Does not lend itself to SLDBE participation because product is a single item that is shipped directly from the manufacturer.

Funding Source:  
Operating and Maintenance Budget

**3. Furnishing Meter Boxes and Meter Box Parts**

Budget Amount:

\$500,000.00

Percentage Goal Justification:

Does not lend itself to SLDBE participation because product is a single item that is shipped directly from the manufacturer.

Funding Source:  
Operating and Maintenance Budget

**Open Market, 0% SLDBE Participation, no renewal options.**

**4. RFQ for Engineering for Survey Support Staffing and Geotechnical Services**

Estimated Cost Range:

Between \$5,000.00 to \$20,000.00

Percentage Goal Justification:

Does not lend itself to SLDBE participation because of the sometimes small quantity of work and the uniqueness of the specialized services

Funding Source:  
Operating and Maintenance Budget

**Renewal Contracts**

**First and Final Renewal, 0% DBE Participation.**

**5. Furnishing Hot Mix Asphalt**

Renewal Cost:

\$326,250.00

Prime Contractor:

Barriere Construction

Percentage Goal Justification:

Does not lend itself to SLDBE participation because product is a single item that cannot be subdivided.

Funding Source:  
Operating and Maintenance Budget

**6. Furnishing Fluorosilicic Acid**

Renewal Cost:

Prime Contractor:

Percentage Goal Justification:

\$367,200.00

Mosaic Company

Does not lend itself to SLDBE participation because product is a single item that is shipped directly from the manufacturer in specialized containers.

Funding Source:  
Operating and Maintenance Budget

**7. Furnishing Sodium Hypochlorite**

Renewal Cost:

Prime Contractor:

Percentage Goal Justification:

\$1,171,820.00

Brenntag Southwest, Inc.

Does not lend itself to SLDBE participation because product is a single item that is shipped directly from the manufacturer in specialized containers.

Funding Source:  
Operating and Maintenance Budget

**8. Furnishing Liquid Polyphosphate**

Renewal Cost:

Prime Contractor:

Percentage Goal Justification:

\$328,000.00

Carus Corporation

Does not lend itself to SLDBE participation because product is a single item that is shipped directly from the manufacturer in specialized containers.

Funding Source:  
Operating and Maintenance Budget

**9. Furnishing Anhydrous Ammonia**

Renewal Cost:

Prime Contractor:

Percentage Goal Justification:

\$382,250.00

Tanner Industries, Inc.

Does not lend itself to SLDBE participation because product is a single item that is shipped directly from the manufacturer in specialized containers.

Funding Source:  
Operating and Maintenance Budget

The Staff Contract Review Committee's recommendations were approved on a motion by Mr. Scott Jacobs and seconded by Mrs. Kimberly Thomas. The motion carried.

### **FINAL ACCEPTANCE ON CONTRACTS WITH DBE PARTICIPATION**

#### **Contract #3657 – Installation of New Water, Sewer, and Drain Service Connections at Scattered Sites Throughout the City of New Orleans**

The Prime Contractor is Fleming Construction Co., LLC.

The DBE participation goal is 36%. The DBE participation achieved is 36.43%.

The Economically Disadvantaged Business Program recommends that the SLDBE participation on subject contract be approved for final acceptance.

The above referenced final acceptance on subject contract with DBE participation was approved by a motion of Mr. Mark Moody and seconded by Mr. Scott Jacobs. The motion carried.

### **INFORMATION ITEMS**

#### **Customer Service Results Through June 2014**

Mr. Robert Miller, Deputy Director made a presentation.

The Committee received the report.

#### **DBE Participation Report**

Mr. Cedric Grant, Executive Director made a presentation.

The Committee received the report.

#### **2014 Committee/Board Meeting Schedule**

The Committee received the report.

#### **Any Other Matters**

None

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 10:08 AM with a motion by Mr. Scott Jacobs and seconded by Mr. Mark Moody. The motion carried.

**ATTENDANCE**

**PRESENT:** Mr. Marion Bracy, Chair  
Mr. Mark Moody  
Mr. Scott Jacobs  
Mrs. Kimberly Thomas

**ABSENT:** Dr. Tamika Duplessis

Also in attendance were the Executive Director; Deputy Director; General Superintendent; Deputy Superintendent; Attorney IV; EDBP Director; EDBP Compliance Supervisor; EDBP Certification Supervisor; Purchasing Director; Community and Intergovernmental Relations Director; Gina Bernal and Randy Smith of Royal.

Very truly yours,

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Mr. Marion Bracy, Chair