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

A regular meeting of the **Executive Committee** of the Sewerage and Water Board was called to order on Friday, December 5, 2014 at 10:00 AM in the Board Room at 625 St. Joseph Street.

ATTENDANCE

Present: Wm. Raymond Manning, Committee Chair
Marion B. Bracy
Alan Arnold

Also in Attendance: Cedric S. Grant, Executive Director; Robert Miller, Deputy Director; Brian Ferrara, Legal Counsel; Joseph Becker, General Superintendent; Bobby Nathan, Equal Employment Opportunity Director (EEOC); Willie Mingo, Purchasing Department; Emanuel Lain, Budget Department; Geneva Coleman, The Hawthorne Agency, Inc.; Paul West, Chester Engineers; Stephen Stuart, BGR.

ACTION ITEMS

1. Approval of Previous Report

The Executive Committee received the Executive Committee Report of November 7, 2014 for review and action. Mr. Alan Arnold motioned to accept the report and Mr. Marion Bracy seconded the motion. The motion passed.

2. 2015 Holiday Schedule (R-254-2014)

The above referenced resolution of the Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans 2015 Holiday Schedule was approved by motion of Mr. Alan Arnold and seconded by Mr. Marion Bracy, and the motion carried.

Staff lost its quorum for the December 1, 2014 Operations Committee meeting. Therefore, all action items were considered at the Executive Committee meeting.

3. Bid Recommendations

- **Contract #3794: Rehabilitation of Bio-Reactor Train #1 at the East Bank Wastewater Treatment Plant.**

The Economically Disadvantaged Business Program recommends that the participation submitted by Industrial & mechanical Contractors, Inc., be accepted and that the participation submitted by Alfred Conhagen, Inc., of LA be rejected because the company failed to submit a SLDBE Participation Summary Sheet.

- **Contract #6252: Installation of Transformers T2 and T3 and Construction of New Electrical Duct Bank at Carrollton Plant**

The Economically Disadvantaged Business Program recommends that the participation submitted by Frischhertz Electric Co., Inc., be accepted and the participation submitted by Wallace C. Drennan, Inc., be rejected because the company failed to meet the DBE participation goal, and did not provide documentation of Good Faith Effort and signed affidavit affixed with official seal.

- **Contract #8142: Repaving Open Cuts in Streets, Driveways and Sidewalks Resulting from the Repair to the Sewerage & Water Board of New Orleans' Underground Utilities.**

The Economically Disadvantaged Business Program recommends the participation submitted by Fleming Construction Company, LLC and Wallace C. Drennan, Inc., be accepted.

- **Contract #30015: Restoration of Existing Gravity Sewer by Point Repair and CIPP Lining Sewer Mains at various Points throughout Orleans Parish.**

The Economically Disadvantaged Business Program recommends the participation submitted by Wallace C. Drennan, Inc., and Fleming Construction Company, LLC be accepted.

- **Furnishing Rubber P.V.C. Hip Boots and Knee Boots - REQ NO. YW 15-0001**

The Economically Disadvantaged Business Program recommended the SLDBE participation submitted by Southeast Safety & Supply by approved.

Mr. Arnold requested for staff to provide a DBE report for the last 12 months, inclusive of the general DBE categories and names of companies that have conducted business with the Board and for staff to bring this information back to the Board.

Ms. Tiffany Carter stated that yes; staff can provide a more detailed DBE report for the Board.

Mr. Marion Bracy moved to accept staff recommendations and Mr. Alan Arnold seconded, and the motion carried.

4. **Construction Review Committee**

The Economically Disadvantaged Business Program recommends acceptance of the SLDBE Participation submitted for the following three (3) Open Market One year contracts, no renewal options:

- **Contract #1381: Furnish & Installation of Air Compressors and Associated Equipment at the main Water Purification Plant**
- **Contract #1382: Replacement of the Filter Media at the Filters 1A, 1B, 5A and 5B at the Claiborne Filter Gallery at the MWPP**

- **Contract #3795: Modification to the North Return Activated Sludge Pump Station and Pipeline at the East Bank Wastewater Treatment Plant**

And one (1) one year contract, one (1) one year renewal option

- **Contract #2110: Water main Line Replacements and Extensions at Scattered Locations throughout Orleans Parish**

Mr. Marion Bracy moved to accept staff recommendations and Mr. Alan Arnold seconded, and the motion carried.

5. **Staff Contract Review Committee Recommendations**

The Staff Contract Review Committee recommended the following:

- One (1) Open Market Contract w/0% SLDBE Participation, no renewal options:
Purchase of Sycamore Filter Gallery and Actuator Equipment at the Main Water Purification Plant
Estimated Cost \$2,700,000.00

Does not lend itself to SLDBE Participation because product is a sole source item shipped directly from the manufacturer. Funding Source: 2014 Water Revenue Bond

- One (1) First renewal of five (5) one (1) year renewal options, 0% SLDBE Participation
Furnishing Totalizing Fluid Meters and Counting Devices Water Meters –
Renewal Cost \$1,882,165.20 + Department of Labor 2.8% Unit Price Adjustment
Prime Contractor: Mueller Systems.

Does not lend itself to SLDBE Participation because product is a sole source item shipped directly from the manufacturer. Funding Source: Water & Sewer Bond Funding

Mr. Marion Bracy moved to accept staff recommendations and Mr. Alan Arnold seconded, and the motion carried.

PRESENTATION ITEMS

6. **Committee Responsibilities By-Law Changes**

Mr. Cedric S. Grant recommended changing the bylaws of the Executive Committee to include within its responsibilities strategic planning; business development; risk management; and information technology. Staff recommends those changes go before the December Board meeting for adoption.

INFORMATION ITEMS

7. **Tracking Tool for Commitments to the City Council** - received

8. **EEOC Activity Status Report Y.T.D.** - received

9. **Topics for Future Discussion** - received

10. **Response to Questions** - received

11. Any Other Matters

- **Temporary Closure of the Board Room**

Mr. Grant informed the committee of the temporary closure of the Board Room due to audio and visual renovations. Meanwhile staff is considering having the January 2015 committee meetings at the Carrollton Water Plant location, and staff would keep the Board informed.

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting adjourned at 10:28 AM.
Very truly yours,

Wm. Raymond Manning
Committee Chair