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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, April 6, 2015, at 8:00 AM in the Board Room at 625 St. Joseph Street to address the following matters:

ATTENDANCE

PRESENT: Dr. Tamika Duplessis
Mr. Marion Bracy
Mr. Scott Jacobs
Mrs. Kimberly Thomas

ABSENT: Mr. Mark Moody

Also in attendance: Cedric S. Grant, Executive Director; Robert Miller, Deputy Director; Joseph Becker, General Superintendent; Madeline Fong Goddard, Deputy Superintendent; Harold Marchand, Legal Counsel; Tiffany Carter, EDBP Director; Willie Mingo, Purchasing Director.

ACTION ITEMS

1. Approval of Previous Report

The report of the Regular Operations Committee Meeting held on Monday, March 2, 2015 was received. Upon a motion of Mr. Jacobs and second by Dr. Duplessis the report was approved.

2. Bid Recommendations - DBE Participation

Contract #1379– Painting and Inspection of 4 Four Million Gallon Water Tanks at the Main Water Purification Plant

On Friday, March 20, 2015 four (4) bids were received for subject contract. The bid totals are as follows:

Utility Service Co., Inc.	\$492,000.00
Crom Engineering & Construction Services	\$533,060.00
RLH Investments, LLC	\$534,000.00
Cannon Medical, Inc.	\$668,666.00

Twenty-eight percent (28%) SLDBE participation was requested on this contract.

The apparent low bidder, Utility Service Co., Inc., did not submit a completed SLDBE Participation Summary Sheet or a documented Good Faith Effort with a notarized affidavit.

The apparent second lowest bidder, Crom Engineering & Construction Services, did not submit a completed SLDBE Participation Summary Sheet or a documented Good Faith Effort with a notarized affidavit.

The apparent third lowest bidder, RLH Investments, LLC, submitted **Olympic Group, LLC** (eligible certified SLDBE) to perform pressure washing, painting, and inspection repairs in the amount of **\$165,000.00 – 30.89%**. Correspondence from all SLDBEs on their own letterhead reaffirming negotiated terms was provided.

Based upon analysis of SLDBE participation, the Economically Disadvantaged Business Program recommends that the SLDBE participation submitted by Utility Service Co., Inc., and Crom Engineering & Construction Services be rejected, and the SLDBE participation submitted by RLH Investments, LLC be accepted.

Contract #2106 – Installation of New Water, Sewer, and Drain Connections at Various Sites throughout Orleans Parish

On Friday, February 27, 2015 one (1) bid was received for subject contract. The bid total is Fleming Construction Co., LLC, \$2,336,550.00. The estimated budget is \$ 3,000,000.00 and thirty-six percent (36%) SLDBE participation was requested on this contract. Fleming Construction Co., LLC, submitted the following subcontractors:

Cooper Contracting Group, LLC (eligible certified SLDBE) to perform utility work and Restoration \$585,000.00 – 25.04%

Hebert’s Trucking and Equipment Service (eligible certified SLDBE) to provide utility work, restoration, trucking and hauling materials \$260,000.00 – 11.13%

SLDBE Participation Totals: **\$845,000.00 — 36.16%**. Correspondence from all SLDBEs on their own letterhead reaffirming negotiated terms was provided.

Based upon analysis of SLDBE participation, the Economically Disadvantaged Business Program recommends that the SLDBE participation submitted Fleming Construction Co., LLC be accepted.

Contract #2110– Water Main Line Replacements and Extensions at Scattered Locations throughout Orleans Parish

On Friday, February 27, 2015 six (6) bids were received for subject contract. The bid totals are as follows:

Wallace C. Drennan, Inc.	\$988,150.00
Fleming Construction Co., LLC	\$1,068,900.00
Pipeline Services	\$1,193,050.00
Cycle Construction	\$1,244,450.00
Boh Bros.	\$1,696,878.00
BLD Services	\$1,830,200.00

The estimated budget is \$1,000,000. Thirty-six percent (36%) SLDBE participation was requested on this contract.

The apparent lowest bidder, **Wallace C. Drennan, Inc.**, submitted the following subcontractors:

C&M Construction Group, Inc. (eligible certified SLDBE) to perform Municipal & Public Works construction, fencing, concrete and asphalt patching
\$315,950.00 – 31.97%

Choice Supply Solutions, LLC (eligible certified SLDBE) to supply Industrial Pipe
\$10,000.00 – 1.01%

Prince Dump Truck Service (eligible certified SLDBE) to provide trucking and hauling services, sand and aggregate materials
\$30,000.00 – 3.04%

SLDBE Participation Totals: **\$355,950.00 — 36.02%**. Correspondence from all SLBDEs on their own letterhead reaffirming negotiated terms was provided.

The apparent second lowest bidder, **Fleming Construction Co., LLC**, submitted the following subcontractors:

Cooper Contracting Group, LLC (eligible certified SLDBE) to perform utility work and Restoration
\$215,000.00 – 20.11%

Hebert's Trucking and Equipment Service (eligible certified SLDBE) to provide utility work, restoration, trucking and hauling materials
\$172,000.00 – 16.09%

SLDBE Participation Totals: **\$387,000.00 — 36.21%**. Correspondence from all SLBDE's on their own letterhead reaffirming negotiated terms was provided.

Based upon analysis of SLDBE participation, the Economically Disadvantaged Business Program recommends that the SLDBE participation submitted Wallace C. Drennan, Inc., and Fleming Construction Co., LLC be accepted.

Contract #2111– Water Main Point Repair, Water Service Connection, Water Valve, and Fire Hydrant Replacement at Various Sites throughout Orleans Parish

On Friday, February 27, 2015 five (5) bids were received for subject contract. The bid totals are as follows:

Mas Tec	\$2,946,850.00
Wallace C. Drennan, Inc.	\$3,197,190.00
Fleming Construction	\$4,164,600.00
BLD Services	\$4,365,250.00
Boh Bros.	\$5,618,400.00

The estimated budget is \$ 4,000,000. Thirty-six percent (36%) DBE participation was requested on this contract.

The apparent low bidder, Mas Tec, initially submitted with their bid **Dragon Limited** (eligible certified SLDBE) to perform construction and project management; **\$1,050,000.00 – 35.63%**. Mas Tec subsequently submitted a second participation summary sheet that cannot be accepted due LA Public Bid Law.

The apparent second lowest bidder, Wallace C. Drennan, Inc., submitted the following subcontractors:

C&M Construction Group, Inc. (eligible certified SLDBE) to perform Municipal & Public Works construction, fencing, concrete and asphalt patching; **\$561,150.00 – 17.55%.**

Choice Supply Solutions, LLC (eligible certified SLDBE) to supply Industrial Pipe; **\$340,000.00 – 10.63%.**

Prince Dump Truck Service (eligible certified SLDBE) to provide trucking and hauling services, sand and aggregate materials; **\$251,700.00 – 7.87%.**

SLDBE Participation Totals: **\$1,152,850.00 - 36.06%**

Based upon analysis of SLDBE participation, the Economically Disadvantaged Business Program recommends that the SLDBE participation submitted by Mas Tec, be rejected because the company failed to meet the SLDBE participation goal, and did not provide documentation of Good Faith Effort and signed affidavit affixed with official seal, and that the SLDBE participation submitted by Wallace C. Drennan, Inc., be accepted.

Contract #3795– Modification to the Return Activated Sludge PS and Pipeline at the East Bank Sewer Treatment Plant

On Friday, February 27, 2015 four (4) bids were received for subject contract. The bid totals are as follows:

Industrial & Mechanical Contractors, Inc.	\$1,677,000.00
Cycle Construction Co., LLC	\$1,690,000.00
BLD Services, LLC	\$1,785,000.00
Conhagen Inc. of LA	\$2,052,371.00

The estimated budget is \$ 1,500,000. Five percent (5%) SLDBE participation was requested on this contract.

The apparent low bidder, Industrial & Mechanical Contractors, Inc., submitted **EFT Diversified, Inc.** (eligible certified SLDBE) to furnish prefabricated 30” steel pipe header in RAS Pumping Station; **\$100,000.00 – 5.96%**

The apparent second lowest bidder, Cycle Construction Co., LLC, submitted the following subcontractors:

K-Belle Consultants, LLC (eligible certified SLDBE) to form, pour, and wreck concrete; **\$35,496.00 – 2.10%.**

Three C’s Properties, Inc. (eligible certified SLDBE) to provide trucking and hauling materials; **\$57,196.00 – 3.38%.**

SLDBE Participation Totals: **\$92,692.00 — 5.48%**

Based upon analysis of SLDBE participation, the Economically Disadvantaged Business Program recommends that the SLDBE participation submitted Industrial & Mechanical Contractors, Inc., and Cycle Construction Co., LLC be accepted.

Furnishing Janitorial Services for the Carrollton Water Plant (ME15-0001)

On Thursday, March 19, 2015, four (4) bids were received for subject contract. The bid totals are follows:

KSM Janitorial & Cleaning Service, LLC	\$ 76,120.00
Crescent Building Services, Inc.	\$ 83,481.44
LA T'Shine Cleaning Services, LLC	\$ 89,686.00
ETI, Inc.	\$ 92,798.92

The estimated budget is \$ 120,000. Thirty-percent (30%) SLDBE participation was requested on this contract.

The apparent lowest bidder, KSM Janitorial & Cleaning Service, LLC submitted **Ricard's Paper & Chemical Company** (eligible SLDBE company) to provide janitorial supplies; **\$22,836.00 – 30%**.

The second lowest bidder, Crescent Building Services, Inc. submitted **Westbank Paper & Janitorial Supplies** (eligible SLDBE company) to provide janitorial and chemical supplies and paper products; **\$25,044.73 – 30%**.

The third lowest bidder, LA T'Shine Cleaning Services, LLC submitted **Westbank Paper & Janitorial Supplies** (eligible SLDBE company) to provide janitorial supplies; **\$26,905.80 – 30%**.

The fourth lowest bidder, ETI, Inc. submitted **Supreme Developers, LLC** (eligible SLDBE Company) to provide janitorial services; **\$27,840.00 – 30%**.

Based upon analysis of SLDBE participation, the Economically Disadvantaged Business Program recommends that the SLDBE participation submitted by, KSM Janitorial & Cleaning Service, LLC, Crescent Building Services, Inc., LA T'Shine Cleaning Services, and ETI, Inc. be approved.

Furnishing Janitorial Services at Central Yard Complex (RX-SA15-0001)

On Thursday, March 19, 2015, three (3) bids were received for subject contract. The bid totals are follows:

Crescent Building Services, Inc.	\$ 44,368.32
KSM Janitorial & Cleaning Service, LLC	\$ 50,523.00
ETI, Inc.	\$ 58,555.40

The estimated budget is \$ 60,000. Thirty-percent (30%) SLDBE participation was requested on this contract.

The apparent lowest bidder, Crescent Building Services, Inc. submitted **Westbank Paper & Janitorial Supplies** (eligible SLDBE company) to provide janitorial and chemical supplies and paper products; **\$13,310.49 – 30%**.

The second lowest bidder, KSM Janitorial & Cleaning Service, LLC submitted **Ricard's Paper & Chemical Company** (eligible SLDBE company) to provide janitorial supplies; **\$15,156.90 – 30%**.

The third lowest bidder, ETI, Inc. submitted **Supreme Developers, LLC** (eligible SLDBE company) to provide janitorial services; **\$17,567.00 – 30%**.

Based upon analysis of SLDBE participation, the Economically Disadvantaged Business Program recommends that the SLDBE participation submitted by Crescent Building Services, Inc., KSM Janitorial & Cleaning Service, LLC and ETI, Inc. be approved.

Mr. Jacobs moved to accept staff recommendations and Dr. Duplessis seconded. The motion carried.

3. Construction Review Committee Recommendations

There were no Construction Review Committee recommendations for the month of March 2015.

4. Staff Contract Review Committee Recommendations

The Staff Contract Review Committee met on March 17, 2015 and made the following recommendations:

Open Market Contracts

Open Market, 30% SLDBE Participation, one (1) year with a one (1) year renewal option.

1. Furnishing Aerosol, Janitorial and Industrial Chemicals

Budget Amount: \$300,000.00
Areas of Participation: Supply and delivery of product.
Funding Source: Operating and Maintenance Budget.

2. Furnishing Reclaimed Asphaltic Pavement (RAP)

Budget Amount: \$300,000.00
Areas of Participation: Supply and delivery of product
Funding Source: Operating and Maintenance Budget.

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

3. Furnishing Iron Castings

Budget Amount: \$100,000.00
Percentage Goal Justification: Does not lend itself to SLDBE participation because products are single items that are shipped directly from the manufacturer.
Funding Source: Operating and Maintenance Budget

4. Furnishing Automatic Transmissions in Automobiles and Small Trucks

Budget Amount: \$50,000.00
Percentage Goal Justification: Does not lend itself to SLDBE participation because the responsibilities of the prime contractor would not cover the warranties, if any work was performed by the subcontractor.
Funding Source: Operating and Maintenance Budget

Renewal Contracts

Pursuant to the Finance/Operations Committees request for SLDBE compliance on contracts involving renewals, please find subject information.

First and Final Renewal, 30% SLDBE Participation.

5. Furnishing River Sand, Mason Sand and Washed Gravel

Renewal Cost: \$225,125.00
Prime Contractor: Blue Ribbon Resources, LLC
DBE Subcontractors: Qualified Transportation, LLC
Funding Source: Operating and Maintenance Budget

The SLDBE participation goal is 30.00%. The SLDBE participation achieved is 38.75%

First and Final Renewal, 20% SLDBE Participation.

6. Furnishing and Delivering Complete Fleet Tire Services

Renewal Cost: \$344,199.80
Prime Contractor: Twin Commercial Tires, LLC
DBE Subcontractors: V. Keeler & Associates
Funding Source: Operating and Maintenance Budget

The SLDBE participation goal is 20.00%. The SLDBE participation achieved is 19.01%

Twin Commercial Tires, LLC provided documentation that showed that an invoice of the payment to the SLDBE was sent after the ending of the 4th quarter and thereby was not able to be applied towards the percentage goal until the following quarter. As a result of this, all invoices collected for the quarter will receive payment for the same quarter.

First and Final Renewal, 0% SLDBE Participation.

7. Furnishing Rough Pine and Oak Hardwood Lumber

Renewal Cost: \$63,933.75
Prime Contractor: All Star Forest Products, Inc.
Percentage Goal Justification: Does not lend itself to SLDBE participation because products are single items that are shipped directly from the manufacturer.
Funding Source: Operating and Maintenance Budget

The Staff Contract Review Committee Recommendations were approved on a motion by Dr. Duplessis and seconded by Ms. Thomas. The motion carried.

5. Renewal Construction Contracts with DBE Participation

There were no Renewal Construction Contracts with DBE participation.

6. Final Acceptance Contracts with DBE Participation

Contract #1353 – Hurricane Katrina Related Repairs to Replace Boiler Preheaters at the Main Water Purification Plant

The Prime Contractor is Alfred Conhagen Inc., of LA. The SLDBE participation goal is 6%. The SLDBE participation achieved is 8.7%. 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 on a motion by Dr. Duplessis and seconded by Mr. Jacobs. The motion carried.

PRESENTATION ITEMS

7. Customer Service Results through January 2015

Mr. Miller, Deputy Director provided an update of the Customer Service Results through February 2015. The Committee received the report.

8. Topics for Future Discussions

There were no presentations to review.

9. Response to Questions

Mr. Cedric S. Grant, Executive Director noted that there were no additional comments or questions.

INFORMATION ITEMS

The following information items were available for review by committee:

10. DBE Participation Report - Received by committee

11. 2015 Committee/Board Meeting Schedule - No changes were requested

12. Any Other Matters – None

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further presentations to come before the Committee, a motion was made by Mr. Jacobs to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Ms. Thomas. The meeting adjourned at 8:35 AM.

Respectfully yours,

Mr. Marion Bracy, Chair