


PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

State of North Dakota

Memorandum

To: Commissioners Cramer, Clark and Kalk
Darrell Nitschke

From:  Jim Deutsch, Director - AML Division

Date: February 18, 2009

Subject: Procurement of construction services for the Williams County Road 9 Phase 4, AML Project

As previously discussed prior to the submittal of the 2009 AML grant application to OSM, one of the major AML construction projects for 2009 will be the Williams County Road 9 Phase 4 project. AML staff have nearly completed the necessary documents to solicit bids for this project. The Williams County Road 9 Phase 4 project will involve drilling to locate underground mine voids and to inject pressurized grout into the voids that are found beneath public roads and nearby residences. These are primarily in the Grandview Subdivision and areas near Highway 1804 east of Williston, and an area in north Williston close to the Eagle Ridge Golf Course.

We plan to start advertising for bids by placing ads in five of the major daily state newspapers and the official county newspaper where the abandoned mine site is located. Ads will also be placed in "The Construction Bulletin", a publication with national circulation. The appropriate information will also be posted on the website for the State Office of Procurement. An on-site pre-bid meeting is planned for April 8th and the bid opening is set for April 20th.

I recommend the Commission authorize procurement of construction services for the Williams County Road 9 Phase 4 project using competitive sealed bidding (formal advertising) procedures. Attached is a motion for the February 25, 2009 Commission meeting and the advertisement for bids to be signed by the Commission.

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