


# PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

## Abandoned Mine Lands Division

### Memorandum

TO: Commissioners Kalk, Christmann and Fedorchak  
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From: Jim  Deutsch, Director - AML Division

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Subject: Contract for material testing at the Scranton/Bowman AML project, Case No. AM-13-94

In February the AML Division issued an Invitation for Bids for material testing and other services at the 2013 Scranton/Bowman AML project. The main project involves drilling and the injection of pressurized grout into abandoned underground mine workings near Scranton, Bowman and Reeder. However, this part of the project is for the collection and lab testing of grout samples and other services. Competitive sealed bidding procedures were used with notices issued to specified registered vendors through the State Procurement Office. Since no bids were received by the April 22<sup>nd</sup> deadline and the Invitation for Bids was re-issued with a new deadline for submitting bids. Four bids were received and the public bid opening occurred on May 6<sup>th</sup>. The low bid came from Northeast Technical Services of Virginia, MN, in the amount of \$25,400. The next lowest bid was \$33,720 and the staff estimate for this work was \$27,800.

A notice of Intent to Award a contract to Northeast Technical Services was issued on May 8<sup>th</sup>. None of the other bidders appealed the Intent to Award and a contract was sent to Northeast Technical Services for signing on May 17<sup>th</sup>. The signed contract has been returned and properly executed performance and payment bonds, liability insurance documents, and other requested materials have been received. The contract is now ready for execution by the Commission.

I recommend the Commission execute the contract with Northeast Technical Services in the amount of \$25,400 for material testing and other services at the 2013 Scranton/Bowman, AML project. Attached is a motion for the June 19<sup>th</sup> Commission meeting for executing the contract.

Attachment

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