

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Abandoned Mine Lands Division

Memorandum

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From:  Jim Deutsch, Director - AML Division

Date: May 11, 2016

Subject: Drilling and Grouting Contract for AML's 2016 Wilton Phase 2 Project, Case No. AM-16-25

In mid-February the AML Division issued an Invitation for Bids (IFB) for drilling and pressurized grouting at the 2016 Wilton Phase 2 Project. This project is for rotary drilling and pressurized grouting of underground mine workings that are located beneath public roads near Wilton. The AML Division estimates that 20,000 feet of rotary drilling will be needed this year, that 3,500 feet of casing will be used when mine voids are found, and that 7,500 cubic yards of grout will be needed to fill voids.

Competitive sealed bidding procedures were used with notices issued to registered vendors through the State Procurement Office. The bid opening was held on April 7th and two bids were received for the drilling and grouting. The low bid was received from B & C Concrete Pumping, Inc. of Williston in the amount of \$1,238,475. The other bid was from Agri Industries, also of Williston, in the amount of \$1,298,000. The AML Division's cost estimate for this project was \$1,387,000.

The Notice of Intent to Award a contract to B & C Concrete Pumping was sent to both bidders on April 8th. The other bidder did not appeal the Intent to Award and on April 19th a contract was sent to B & C to execute. The signed contract has been returned and we have also received performance and payment bonds, a certificate of liability insurance, and other materials that were requested. The contract is now ready for execution by the Commission.

I recommend the Commission execute the contract with B & C Concrete Pumping, Inc. in the amount of \$1,238,475 for drilling and grouting at the 2016 Wilton Phase 2 AML Project. Attached is a motion for the May 18th Commission meeting.

Attachment

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