

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Abandoned Mine Lands Division

Memorandum

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From: Dean Moos, Director - AML Division

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Subject: Close out Contract No. AM-782-17 for the 2017 Columbus Phase 16 AML Project, Case No. AM-17-83

On May 31, 2017, the Commission entered into Contract No. AM-782-17 with Hanson's Excavating, Inc. of Des Lacs for the 2017 Columbus Phase 16 AML Project. This project involved the elimination of nearly 5,000 feet of highwalls in Burke County. Dangerous highwalls were reclaimed at four individual sites south of Columbus. About 235,000 cubic yards of spoil material was used to backfill the highwalls and 45 acres were reclaimed at the site. The reclamation work has been completed and the contract can now be closed.

Earthwork at the Columbus Phase 16 sites began June 19 and was completed October 20. Fertilizing, tilling, and mulching was completed on October 24. Project manager Jordan Burns and seasonal inspector James Thornburg inspected the work throughout the project. Jordan determined that all the work and conditions of the contract were satisfactorily completed by Hanson's Excavating.

The original contract with Hanson's Excavating was for \$338,105. The contracted work was completed for a total cost of \$359,070, approximately 6% more than the original contract amount. Three change orders were issued during the course of the project. Change order 1 included an additional work area and an extension of the performance period. Change order 2 included another extension of the performance period. Change order 3 included an addition of \$11,756 for earthwork, and a decrease of \$5,691 for topsoil salvage and \$2,000 for straw wattles. The contractor certified that all employees, subcontractors, and suppliers used for this project have been paid. The final invoice has been submitted and paid.

All work under this contract with Hanson's Excavating, Inc. was satisfactorily completed and the AML Division recommends the contract be closed. Attached is a motion for the December 20 Commission meeting.

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