

# PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Abandoned Mine Lands Division

## Memorandum

**To:** Commissioners Christmann, Haugen-Hoffart, and Fedorchak  
**From:** <sup>ZAB</sup> Zanna Brinkman and <sup>MF</sup> Matt Fischer  
**Date:** September 1, 2023  
**Subject:** Close out of the 2023 Garrison Phase 6 AML Project, Case No. AM-22-411

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On May 15, 2023, the Commission entered into Contract No. AM-876-23 with Earth Energy & Water Systems, Inc. of New Salem, North Dakota for drilling and remote backfilling of abandoned underground mines near Garrison, North Dakota. The original contract amount was for \$1,083,000. The final cost of Contract No. AM-876-23 was \$1,056,105.

On May 24, 2023, the Commission entered into Contract No. AM-877-23 with Geoserv, Inc, of Bismarck, North Dakota to test the quality of grout used on the 2023 Garrison Phase 6 AML Project. The original contract amount was for \$32,706. The final cost of Contract No. AM-877-23 was \$32,706.

Final payment on both contracts was made, and Contract No. AM-876-23 was closed on August 22, 2023. Contract No. AM-877-23 was closed on August 22, 2023. Both contractors certified all employees, subcontractors, and suppliers used for fulfilling the terms of the contract have been paid. All work was completed satisfactorily. Ross Edison served as project manager. Lincoln Frohlich served as project inspector.

The AML Division respectfully recommends that the Commission close the 2023 Garrison Phase 6 AML Project, Case No. AM-22-411.

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