

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Abandoned Mine Lands Division

Memorandum

To: Commissioners Christmann, Haugen-Hoffart, and Fedorchak
From: Zanna Brinkman, Matt Fischer, and Mike Howe
Date: October 11, 2023
Subject: Close out of the 2023 Exploratory Drilling AML Project, Case No. AM-23-73

On June 30, 2023, the Commission entered Contract No. AM-881-23 with Earth Energy & Water Systems, Inc. of New Salem, North Dakota for drilling and casing of abandoned underground mines near Dickinson, North Dakota. The original contract amount was \$326,500. The final cost of Contract AM-881-23 was \$355,217.55.

Final payment on the contract was made, and Contract No. AM-881-23 was closed on September 21, 2023. The contractor has certified all employees, subcontractors, and suppliers used for fulfilling the terms of the contract have been paid. All work was completed satisfactorily. Michael Howe served as project manager. Lincoln Frohlich served as project inspector.

The AML Division respectfully recommends that the Commission close the 2023 Exploratory Drilling AML Project, Case No. AM-23-73.

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