

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Abandoned Mine Lands Division

Memorandum

To: Commissioners Christmann, Haugen-Hoffart, and Kringstad
From: ^{JE} Jonathan Emmer, Matt Fischer, and Brett Job
Date: June 5, 2025
Subject: Close out of the 2024 Lehigh Road Phase IX AML Project, Case No. AM-23-359

On May 21, 2024, the Commission entered into Contract No. AM-897-24 with Earth Energy & Water Systems, Inc. of New Salem, North Dakota for drilling and remote backfilling of abandoned underground mines near Dickinson, North Dakota. The original contract amount was for \$1,024,500. The final cost of Contract No. AM-876-23 was \$1,229,309.

On June 6, 2024, the Commission entered Contract No. AM-898-24 with Geoserv, Inc. to test the quality of grout used on the project. The original contract amount was \$27,450. This contract was terminated on August 26, 2024. The final cost was \$5,184. The check for this payment was issued on November 6, 2024, and deposited on April 9, 2025.

Final payments on both contracts have been made. The drilling and grouting contractor certified all employees, subcontractors, and suppliers used for fulfilling the terms of the contract have been paid. Brett Job served as project manager. Scott Besmer served as project inspector.

The AML Division respectfully recommends that the Commission close the 2024 Lehigh Road Phase IX AML Project, Case No. AM-23-359.

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