

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 2025 Exploratory Drilling AML Project, Case No. AM-24-354

On December 11, 2024, the Commission renewed Contract No. AM-896-24, as Amendment 1, with Earth Energy & Water Systems, Inc. of New Salem, North Dakota for drilling and casing of an abandoned underground mine near New Salem, North Dakota. The renewed contract amount was \$325,500. Three change orders were issued and the final cost of Contract AM-896-24 – Amendment 1 was \$390,176.

Final payment on the contract was approved on March 19, 2025. 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. Brett Job served as project manager. Scott Besmer served as the project inspector.

The AML Division respectfully recommends that the Commission close the 2025 Exploratory Drilling AML Project, Case No. AM-24-354.

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