



# Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

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## Legislation Text

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### TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR BOARD MEETING OF JANUARY 21, 2010

#### COMMITTEE ON PROCUREMENT

Mr. Richard Lanyon, Executive Director

Issue a purchase order and enter into an agreement with MWH Americas, Inc., for professional engineering post award services for Contract 04-201-4F, Tollway Dam, Grout Curtain and Quarry Plugs, Thornton Composite Reservoir, Calumet Service Area, in an amount not to exceed \$4,711,155.00, Account 401-50000-601440, Requisition 1293016

Dear Sir:

Authorization is requested to issue a purchase order and enter into an agreement with MWH Americas, Inc. (MWH) for professional engineering post award services for Contract 04-201-4F, Tollway Dam, Grout Curtain and Quarry Plugs, Thornton Composite Reservoir, Calumet Service Area.

The District's agreement with MWH will consist of providing post award engineering services for Contract 04-201-4F, including submittal review, field visits, design support, responding to requests for information, review of change orders, coordination and support services, resident engineering assistance and inspection, and as-needed engineering services. Authority to award the construction contract was granted on December 3, 2009.

MWH has been selected by the Engineering Department to provide the needed professional engineering post award services because of its intimate knowledge of the specialized work to be performed under Contract 04-201-4F.

The total fee for the agreement is \$4,711,155.00.

The post award services under this agreement are scheduled to last approximately 84 months and are expected to be completed in January 2017.

The deliverables to be provided under this agreement include:

- Providing engineering services during construction
- Resident engineering assistance and inspection
- Construction contract administration assistance
- Submittal review memos
- Instrument monitoring and dam inspections
- Request for information responses
- Request for proposals, calculations, drawings, etc.

Design engineering services for Contract 04-201-4F were provided jointly by MWH and Black & Veatch Corporation. In this post award agreement, MWH will be responsible for portions of the work they designed such as the Tollway gap dam and tunnel plugs. It is prudent to continue to work with MWH for this contract, rather than initiate a new consultant selection process. Retaining MWH for the post award phase of the

contract maintains continuity of responsibility if problems occur during or after construction. On January 7, 2010, the Board of Commissioners authorized the Director of Procurement and Materials Management to issue a purchase order and enter into an agreement with Black & Veatch Corporation, for professional engineering post award services relating to their portion of the design.

Six key personnel and 19,520 hours of consultant time are estimated for this work. The estimated average consultant payroll rate for the term of the Agreement is \$53.87/hour.

MWH shall be paid an hourly rate based on the direct labor rate in effect for the year the work is performed, times an overall multiplier of 3.05 for office work, 2.85 for field work, plus reimbursable direct costs, up to a total amount not to exceed \$4,711,155.00. The components of the total fee for the agreement with MWH are as follows:

Item:	Fee:
1. Labor Cost - Engineering Services	
A. Direct Labor	\$521,915.00
B. Overhead and Profit	\$1,069,926.00
C. Total Engineering Services Labor Fee	\$1,591,841.00
2. Labor Cost - Resident Engineering Services	
A. Direct Labor	\$529,651.00
B. Overhead and Profit	\$979,854.00
C. Total Resident Engineering Services Labor Fee	\$1,509,505.00
3. Reimbursable Direct Costs	
A. MWH Engineering Services Direct Costs	\$48,417.00
B. MWH Resident Engineering Services Direct Costs	\$72,738.00
C. Subcontractors	
I. Rubinos & Mesia Engineers, Inc.	\$1,030,403.00
II. Cornerstone Construction Services, Inc.	\$436,751.00
III. Best Imaging Solutions, Inc.	\$21,500.00
D. Total Reimbursable Fee	\$1,609,809.00
Total Fee	\$4,711,155.00

Work to be completed by MBE and WBE firms represent approximately 31.6% of the total dollar value of this agreement. Assuming the maximum cost of the agreement is reached, Rubinos and Mesia Engineers, Inc., Cornerstone Construction Services, Inc., and Best Imaging Solutions, Inc. will receive approximately \$1,488,654.00 in total compensation.

The Affirmative Action Section has reviewed the agreement and has concluded that MWH is in accord with the District's Affirmative Action Policy.

Inasmuch as the firm of MWH possesses a high degree of professional skill, it is recommended that the Director of Procurement and Materials Management be authorized to issue a purchase order and enter into an agreement without advertising, per Section 11.4 of the Purchasing Act, in an amount not to exceed \$4,711,155.00.

Funds are available in Account 401-50000-601440.

Requested, Joseph P. Sobanski, Director of Engineering, WSS:MVL  
Recommended, Darlene A. LoCascio, Director of Procurement and Materials Management  
Respectfully Submitted, Barbara J. McGowan, Chairman Committee on Procurement  
Disposition of this agenda item will be documented in the official Regular Board Meeting Minutes of the Board of Commissioners for January 21, 2010