



# Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

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## Legislation Text

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### **TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR BOARD MEETING OF DECEMBER 4, 2014**

#### COMMITTEE ON PROCUREMENT

Mr. David St. Pierre, Executive Director

Authorization for payment to the U.S. Water Alliance (Alliance) for the 2013/2014 Mississippi River Nutrients Dialogue (MRND) Report in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00, Account 101-15000-612280

Dear Sir:

Authorization is requested to make payment to the U.S. Water Alliance (Alliance) for the 2013/2014 Mississippi River Nutrients Dialogue (MRND) Report in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00.

Between March 2013 and February 2014, the Alliance brought together a diverse group of farmers and others in the agriculture sector, leaders of wastewater and drinking water utilities, regulatory and non-regulatory organizations, and representatives of environmental groups involved in water quality to explore opportunities for collaboration to reduce excess nutrients in the Mississippi River Basin. The meetings, which comprised the MRND, were a productive exchange of views among diverse stakeholders and an opportunity to identify various solution strategies. The Alliance published the results of the meetings in the MRND Report, which is available on their website, [www.uswateralliance.org](http://www.uswateralliance.org). The District has been a continuing member in support of the Alliance's work and benefits from providing funding for the MRND Report.

Inasmuch as the U.S. Water Alliance MRND Report is not available through any other source, nothing would be gained by advertising for bids (Section 11.4 of the Purchasing Act).

It is hereby recommended that the Board of Commissioners authorize payment, by direct voucher, to the U.S. Water Alliance, in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00.

Funds are available in Account 101-15000-612280.

Requested, Eileen M. McElligott, Administrative Services Manager, BKS:SL:WG:JMS:TG  
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 December 4, 2014