



# Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

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## Legislation Text

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### **TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR BOARD MEETING OF MAY 21, 2015**

#### COMMITTEE ON Procurement

Mr. David St. Pierre, Executive Director

Issue Purchase Order and enter into an Agreement with Green SEED Energy®, to furnish and deliver rental services of BioSolids Institute Composting Technology, in an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00, Account 201-50000-612490, Requisition 1397975

Dear Sir:

Authorization is requested to issue a purchase order and enter into an agreement with Green SEED Energy® to furnish and deliver rental services of BioSolids Institute Composting Technology (BSI Technology). This purchase order will expire on December 31, 2015.

The purpose of the project would be for the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago (District) to conduct a pilot-scale test of the technology for composting biosolids and other feedstocks in the District's environment. By utilizing BSI Technology, it is expected that the District would have a sustainable and expandable solution that is capable of producing composted biosolids of consistent high quality and low odor potential for use as a value-added product and as a revenue stream through distribution as a soil amendment in the Chicago metropolitan area. BSI technology is flexible in design and is simple and low cost to operate. It is expected to produce a Class A biosolids compost and expandable to scale if the composting program continues. The District needs to evaluate the BSI process at our solids management site to ensure that it will work with our feedstock (low-solids biosolids and woodchips) and produce a marketable product. Green SEED Energy® is the authorized BSI equipment and service provider in North America and will be the project manager for the proposed Pilot Project.

Green SEED Energy® the sole-service provider to furnish and deliver the services of BSI Technology has submitted pricing for the services and equipment required. Inasmuch as Green SEED Energy®, is the only source of supply for the services and equipment required, nothing would be gained by advertising for bids (Section 11.4 of the Purchasing Act).

Green SEED Energy®, an assumed name of Sustainable Environmental and Economic Development Incorporated, is registered and in good standing with the state of Illinois.

The Multi-Project Labor Agreement is not applicable due to the specialized nature of the services required.

In view of the foregoing, it is recommended that the Director of Procurement and Materials Management be authorized to issue a purchase order and enter into an agreement with Green SEED Energy®, in an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00.

Funds are available in Account 201-50000-612490.

Requested, Thomas C. Granato, Director of Monitoring and Research, TCG:MPC:KB:mh

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 May 21, 2015