



Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

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COMMITTEE ON PROCUREMENT

Mr. Brian A. Perkovich, Executive Director

Authorization for payment to JULIE, Inc., for participation in underground project coordination, in an amount not to exceed \$38,166.43, Account 101-50000-612430

Dear Sir:

Authorization is requested to make payment by direct voucher, to JULIE, Inc. for participation in the Illinois One-Call System protection program, in an amount not to exceed \$38,166.43.

The Illinois One-Call System is made up of reviewing utility members, including the District as required by law. The Illinois One-Call System handles the review of any underground excavation taking place, and the District is notified of excavations in the vicinity of District underground facilities based on a GIS database. The District participates in the Illinois One-Call System with the principal purpose of protecting its underground facilities. The entire review process is conducted through a JULIE, Inc.-administered web-based system.

JULIE, Inc. applies to the administration of the Illinois One-Call System for the areas within the District boundaries but outside of the City of Chicago. DIGGER, which the District joined as a member in 2017, applies to areas within the City of Chicago limits and entails a separate fee to the City of Chicago.

The current request, in the amount of \$38,166.43, is for participation during year 2019 based on actual tickets received from July 2017 to June 2018. Payments made for participation in years 2014-2018 were, respectively, \$41,079.61, \$41,460.37, \$47,412.63, \$46,109.84, and \$42,931.50.

JULIE, Inc., the sole source of supply, has submitted prices for participation in underground project coordination. Inasmuch as underground project coordination services are not available through any other source of supply, 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 JULIE, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$38,166.43. Funds are available in Account 101-50000-612430.

Requested, Catherine A. O'Connor, Director of Engineering, WSS:KMF

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 February 7, 2019