

INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

**METROPOLITAN WATER RECLAMATION DISTRICT
OF GREATER CHICAGO**

DEPARTMENT: General Administration, **DATE:** April 1, 2025
Diversity Section

TO: Edward J. Staudacher, Acting Director of Maintenance and Operations

FROM: Richard L. Martinez, Jr., Acting Diversity Administrator *RLM/PCS*

SUBJECT: Review of Information for Contract 25-605-21, Lockport Powerhouse
Tailrace Barrier

Our review of this contract and specifications indicates that Affirmative Action goals are not recommended. The Appendix D and the Appendix V should not be included.

The District is seeking a Contractor to design, furnish, deliver, and install a fully functional and secure public safety Waterway Buoy Boat Barrier System at the tailrace of the Lockport Powerhouse (LPH) to prevent boaters from travelling and drifting dangerously close to the LPH during generator and pit gate operations, including all necessary labor, expertise, supervision, management, transportation, equipment, tools, and appurtenances.

The estimated total cost for this service is \$208,000.00. Our review has determined that this contract requires completion of five or more successful projects of similar scope, an experienced technician to provide all required services for a Turnkey Buoy Boat Barrier System, as well as being able to work in and around an open water source that inherently poses risks to both workers and the population at large. There are no MBEs/WBEs/VBEs available to perform this scope of work. Therefore, it is not feasible to include affirmative action participation goals.

If you have any questions, please contact Diversity Officer, Susan M. Schaefer, at 847/975-9074.

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