INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

METROPOLITAN WATER RECLAMATION DISTRICT OF GREATER CHICAGO

DEPARTMENT: General Administration
Diversity Section

DATE: December 19, 2023

TO: John P. Murray, Director, Maintenance and Operations

FROM: Richard L. Martinez, Jr. Acting Diversity Administrator

SUBJECT: **Goal Review of Contract 24-697-11** – Services of Tractors with Rotavators and Sludge Pumps with Operators (Groups A and B)

We have reviewed the specifications for the subject contract and the material, labor, equipment and man-hour breakdown by trades. Our review indicates that MBE/WBE and VBE goals are not recommended for this contract. Due to the nature and limited scope of the work involving the heavy use of high-speed submersible pump equipment to mix and dredge lagoons and the tractor with rotavator operations for terrain aeration, there is limited availability among MBE/WBE and subcontractors and no availability among VBE subcontractors to perform the required scopes.

The contract's detailed specifications require the Contractor to provide 3 to 5 tractor-mounted rotavators, and additional tractor rotavators operated by Class 2 Operating Engineers, as required. The scope also requires 2 submersible sludge pumps with operators, sludge mixing equipment in addition to furnishing fuel, maintenance, and repair of all equipment. The contract contains 2 groups, A and B, with a combined estimated contract value of $1,797,000 over a 3-year period. Due to the specialized nature of the work to be performed, the Affirmative Action Ordinance Revised Appendix D and Appendix V should not be included.

If you have any questions, please contact Denise Hardney, Diversity Officer at extension 14030.

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Attachment(s)

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