

Staff Operations Item 1



ERIE COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

April 16, 2024

To: Terrence D. McCracken, Secretary to the Authority

From: Michael W. Wymer, PE, Sr. Production Engineer *MW*

Subject: Buoy Installation and Underwater Services from May 1, 2024, to April 30, 2026
ECWA Project No. 202400030

On Tuesday, March 12, 2024, the Authority received bids for the above referenced contract. Prior to the bid opening, the Bid Notice was publicly advertised for 22 calendar days and the Authority received responses from three (3) bidders.

After reviewing the bids, the Engineering Department consulted with the Legal Department regarding these bid submissions and the decision was made to reject the bids.

Pursuant to Public Authorities Law § 1069, ECWA has the authority to reject all bids if it is in the Authority's best interests. Article 22 of the Instructions to Bidders also states the Authority has the right to reject any or all bids, as well as to re-bid the contract if the Authority deems such an action to be in the public interest. The power to reject all bids, as set forth in Public Authorities Law § 1069, is like the power given municipal corporations pursuant to General Municipal Law § 103.

Both the Legal and Engineering Departments recommend the Board rejects all the bids submitted on March 12, 2024, and authorize the advertisement for new bids.

Budget Information:

O&M Line Item No. 19, Payments to Contractors - Other

Unit 1010 Sturgeon Point: 1010 402000 610119

Unit 1015 Van de Water: 1015 402000 610219

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