Staff Operations Item 4



ERIE COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY

INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

June 25, 2025

To: Terrence D. McCracken, Secretary to the Authority

From: Michael J. Quinn, PE, Director of Distribution

Subject: Request for Proposals Distribution System Leak Detection Services ECWA Project No. 202500065

The Erie County Water Authority (Authority) recently issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) for distribution system leak detection services to evaluate approximately 400 points of interest for potential leaks as identified by Asterra's satellite scans of Authority's water transmission and distribution system (performed under Contract AST-001, PN 202300151) as well as to provide additional leak detection support as needed. The work will be performed under one 2-year contract.

The RFP was issued to four (4) firms who specialize in this type of work (GPCPD, LLC, McKim & Creed, Waterwise Utility Solutions, LLC, and Utility Service Associates). One firm (GPCPD, LLC) did not respond and one firm declined to respond (Waterwise Utility Solutions, LLC).

In addition, the RFP was posted to the ECWA website. Two additional proposals were submitted from the website information.

A total of four firms submitted proposals (in alphabetical order):

- GPRS, LLC
- McKim & Creed
- Scott Enterprises/LDT Solutions
- Utility Services Associates

The proposals were reviewed and discussed by a committee of Engineering Department staff. It was determined that while each firm possessed relevant qualifications to perform the work proposed, Utility Service Associates proposed combination of the number of hours to complete the investigation of the 400 points of interest and the lump sum fee for this service makes them the best choice for the above-referenced contract.

The Engineering Department will move forward with negotiations with Utility Service Associates to develop a Professional Services Agreement for the referenced project.

Funds are available for the project in the 2025 Capital Budget as follows:

- Unit: 2502 Construction
- Item 19 Payment to Contractors Other

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