

FOR BOARD ACTION

Agenda Item # 3

Meeting Date: 7/26/11

SUBJECT:

Consideration of Bids: Bamber Valley Substation Grading and Access Improvements

PREPARED BY:

Neil Stiller, Sr. Electrical Engineer

ITEM DESCRIPTION:

Bamber Valley substation is an existing facility serving southwest Rochester. The northerly perimeter fence is a precast concrete wall on footings. The footings are failing and the wall is sagging, cracking, and suffering other structural damage. Assessment by others concluded that removal of the panels is necessary. A second component of the project is to create an access driveway for removing critical substation equipment in the event of a future crisis.

In order to fulfill the two concerns, a project was budgeted to remove the north concrete wall panels and extend the area north of the existing wall by approximately 30 – 45 ft. This will expand the substation surface and provide an access route around the north and north east side of the control building. The grading plan for the project was created by McGhie & Betts and has received regulatory approval. The expansion is limited so as to not encroach into the floodway of the Zumbro River.

Work is scheduled for a mid August start, with completion scheduled for early November, 2011.

Four bids were received that were acceptable. Bob Braaten Construction, Inc. offered the lowest cost bid at \$105,700.00. Their bid and the bid tabulation are attached.

FOR CAPITAL PURCHASES/BIDS/MAJOR PROJECTS:

The work is part of a budgeted project for 2011. The cost of this work is within the allocated funds.

UTILITY BOARD ACTION REQUESTED:

Management recommends that the Board approve a purchase order agreement with Bob Braaten Construction, Inc. to provide construction services per the attached proposal for the Bamber Valley Substation project. The purchase order will be for \$105,700.00 with a contingency amount of \$15,000 for a not to exceed total project cost of \$120,700.00.


General Manager

7-21-11
Date

**BID FORM
004160**

BID DUE DATE: July 20, 2011, 2:00 PM Central Time

PROJECT: City of Rochester, Rochester Public Utilities
Bamber Valley Substation, Grading and Access Improvements

FROM: Bob Braaten Construction, Inc.

ATTENTION: Bob Ledebuhr, C.P.M., Materials Manager

The undersigned agrees, if this bid is accepted, to enter into a contract for the work described in this request for bid and any subsequent formal written changes, exclusive of any qualifications attached hereto, for the following firm lump sum price for the work, including freight F.O.B. jobsite, insurance, overhead, profit, taxes, etc.:

Base Bid

Item No.	Description	Base Bid Amount
1	All excavation, fill, grading, and compaction	\$ 62,655
2	Material supply and installation of fence & gates	\$ 36,545
3	Turf establishment and maintenance	\$ 6,500

Unit Pricing

The City may, at their sole discretion, add or deduct scope of work at the unit prices listed below. All prices shall include material and installation per specification. Any changes in price of Contract will require a change order before the changed work can be performed, in accordance with the Contract Documents.

Item No.	Description	Amount
1	Price per cu. yd. of select fill, hauled, placed, and compacted	\$ 11
2	Price per cu. yd. of Class 5 base, hauled, placed and compacted	\$ 18
3	Price per cu. yd. of crushed rock, hauled and placed	\$ 19
4	Price per cu. yd. of imported topsoil, hauled, placed and graded	\$ 18
5	Price per 100 ft. of specified fence installed, excluding gates	\$ 30.12

Bid Completeness and Validity

	Yes	No
Bid is, without exception, in exact accordance with the subcontract, specifications, drawings, terms, conditions and requirement of this RFB? (If no, list all exceptions.)	X	
Pricing will remain valid for acceptance for 90 days and is not subject to escalation.	X	
Bidder has completed and submitted the Acknowledgement of Corporation Form?	X	

Exceptions and Enclosures

The Bidder shall state below whether they will comply with all the requirements of the RFB Package including the Purchase Order Addendum. Material exceptions to the specifications that have not been approved prior to bid submission may cause a bid to be considered non-responsive and thus disqualified. Any and all exceptions not so approved shall be at Bidder's risk and shall be itemized below or on an additional document attached to the bid. Each exception shall be referenced to its specific section of the RFB documents. It shall be in the City's sole discretion as to whether any such exception is a material variation from the specifications. Except for the items in this listing, material, equipment, and construction shall be exactly as specified.

<u>Section</u>	<u>Exception</u>
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

List hereunder all enclosures accompanying the Bid which are not attached to other sections:

Milestone Dates

The Bidder shall commit to milestones by providing 'Seller Committed Dates.' Key milestone dates for the work are as follows:

<u>Milestone Schedule</u>	<u>City Scheduled Date</u>	<u>Seller Committed Date</u>
RFB Due	July 20, 2011	N/A
Signed Purchase Order Required to Meet Delivery Date	August 3, 2011	N/A
Completion	October 31, 2011	

The undersigned agrees, if this bid is accepted, to enter into contract for the work described in this Request for Bid and any subsequent formal written changes, exclusive of any qualifications attached hereto.

Submitted by:

Robin Heim, V.P.
Signature/Title

7/20/11
Date

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Rochester Public Utilities
Bamber Valley Substation - Grading and Access Improvements

RFB Opening
 Wednesday, July 20, 2011 – 2:00 P.M. Central Time

	Blitz Construction	Bob Braaten Construction	Elcor Construction	Fraser Construction	Veit
Bid Bond	NB	Y	Y	Y	Y
All excavation, fill, grading, and compaction		\$ 62,655.00	\$ 130,700.00	\$ 125,436.00	\$ 119,750.00
Material supply and installation of fence & gates		\$ 36,545.00	\$ 19,150.00	\$ 10,454.00	\$ 11,800.00
Turf establishment and maintenance		\$ 6,500.00	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 2,575.00	\$ 4,350.00
Total Bid Price		\$ 105,700.00	\$ 156,850.00	\$ 138,465.00	\$ 135,900.00
Completion Date		10/31/2011	10/31/2011	10/31/2011	10/31/2011



RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Public Utility Board of the City of Rochester, Minnesota, to approve a purchase order agreement with Bob Braaten Construction, Inc. for

Construction Services for the Bamber Valley Substation Project

The amount of the purchase order agreement to be ONE HUNDRED AND FIVE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED AND 00/100 DOLLARS (\$105,700.00) with a contingency amount of \$15,000, for a not to exceed project cost of \$120,700.00, and Bob Braaten Construction, Inc. being lowest responsible bidder.

Passed by the Public Utility Board of the City of Rochester, Minnesota, this 26th day of July, 2011.

President

Secretary