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Department of
Procurement Services

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Interim Chief Procurement Officer

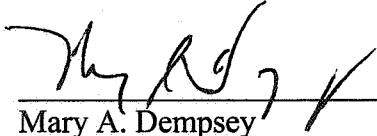
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MEMORANDUM

Date: April 7, 2005

To: Richard A. Rice, Commissioner
Department of Water Management

Attn: Wallace Davis

From: 
Mary A. Dempsey
Interim Chief Procurement Officer

Re: Emergency Purchase Order Authorization

Pursuant to Section 2-92-644 of the Municipal Purchasing Act, I am authorizing you to make an Emergency purchase from Benchmark Construction Company, Inc. Based upon information received from members of your staff, I have determined that this procurement is necessary to meet bona fide operating emergencies.

You are hereby authorized to purchase Emergency Sewer Lining in the amount of \$243,800.00 as requested in your letter of March 31, 2005. Any amount in excess of the \$243,800.00 approved here shall be subject to additional authorization and shall be limited so as not to exceed the \$250,000 limit established by statute.

cc:S. Geocaris
B. Whittaker





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Date: March 29, 2005

Ms. Mary A. Dempsey, Interim Chief Procurement Officer
Department of Procurement Services
121 N. LaSalle Street - Room 403
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Attn.: Mr. Steve Geocaris, Deputy Procurement Officer

Subject: **EMERGENCY SEWER CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT**
Connection Structure at West Lawrence Ave. and N. Long Ave.
Project No. 6028-A
N. Long Ave. from Lawrence Ave. to Higgins
Higgins Ave. from Long Ave. to Linder Ave.
Higgins Ave. from Linder Ave. to Central Ave.
Central Ave. from Higgins to Goodman St.
Goodman St. from Central Ave. to Parkside Ave.
Goodman St. from Parkside Ave. to Major Ave.
Project No. 6028-B

Dear Ms. Dempsey

Due to highly publicized flooding complaints from 2003, a new sewer project in the subject location was planned for June 2005 (see enclosed letter). Part of this project requires the construction of a cast in place connection structure at Lawrence & Long to be installed as early as possible. The rest of this project will be done by City in house forces immediately after completion of the structure.

Six potential contractors were invited to visit the work site, attend a general meeting to discuss the special provisions and construction plan requirements and, submit their price quotations (see attached).

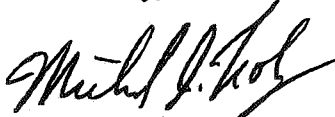
After reviewing all submitted bid proposals, a meeting with the two lowest bidders was conducted. **Benchmark Construction Company** has demonstrated their ability to perform the work expeditiously in 20 working days, or 8 days faster than the other bidder, without the use of subcontractors. This work includes construction of Connection Structure, shaft for the Connection Structure, three type "A" lateral manholes, 48", 36", & 30" R.C. pipes, 15" & 18" drain connection, one catch basin, traffic control, pavement restoration and cut & cap 8" and 12" diameter watermain. The total cost of the work is \$243,800.00.



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This project is an emergency since time is of the essence. The normal procurement process will cause a work stoppage in our construction crews and delay the project longer than necessary. Your approval to handle this work under the emergency procurement provision of the Municipal Purchasing Act is requested. Please contact Mr. Hamid Kashani at 744-6532 if any other documentation is required. Thank you for your prompt attention.

Sincerely,


For Richard A. Rice
Commissioner

Originated by



Sid Osakada
Assistant Chief Engineer

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cc: Brian Murphy, First Deputy Commissioner
Julie Hernandez Tomlin, Deputy Commissioner
Mike Foley, Acting Bureau Head
Sid Osakada, Assistant Chief Engineer
Hamid Kashani, Contract Section
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