



City of Grand Island

Tuesday, November 18, 2008

Council Session

Item G12

**#2008-329 - Approving Bid Award - Coal Pulverizer Separator
Tops and Classifier Assemblies - Platte Generating Station**

Staff Contact: Gary R. Mader; Wesley Nespor

Council Agenda Memo

From: Gary R. Mader, Utilities Director
Wesley Nespor, Asst. City Attorney/Purchasing

Meeting: November 18, 2008

Subject: Pulverizer Separator Tops and Classifier Assemblies

Item #'s: G-12

Presenter(s): Gary R. Mader, Utilities Director

Background

The four pulverizers at the Platte Generating Station crush and grind coal into fine particles for the boiler combustion process. These are the original pulverizers installed at the plant in 1980. Each pulverizer has seen consistent operation for over 25 years, each grinding approximately 2,500,000 tons of coal during that time. A result of this operation is coal erosion to specific pulverizer components. In the pulverizer, there is a separator section where the ground coal is classified by particle size. Larger particles are returned to the grinder section, fine particles are transferred to the boiler by a forced air stream for combustion. At this time, two of the four pulverizer separator tops, and their corresponding classifier assemblies, are worn beyond additional repair. The plant maintenance outage planned for this next spring provides an opportunity to replace these worn components. Therefore, specifications for the replacement pulverizer separator tops were developed by plant staff. Photos of the separator/classifier section are attached. Each unit weighs just over two tons.

Discussion

The specifications for the Pulverizer Separator Tops and Classifier Assemblies were advertised and issued for bid in accordance with the City Purchasing Code. Bids were publicly opened on November 4, 2008. Specifications were sent to three potential bidders and responses were received as listed below. The engineer's estimate for this project was \$200,000.00.

Bidder	Bid Price
Southwestern Pulverizer Performance Co.	\$ 123,400.00

The bid was reviewed by plant staff and is compliant with specifications and less than the engineer's estimate.

Alternatives

It appears that the Council has the following alternatives concerning the issue at hand. The Council may:

1. Move to approve
2. Refer the issue to a Committee
3. Postpone the issue to future date
4. Take no action on the issue

Recommendation

City Administration recommends that the Council award the Contract for the Pulverizer Separator Tops and Classifier Assemblies to Southwestern Pulverizer Performance Co. of Fort Collins, CO, as the low responsive bidder, with the bid price of \$123,400.00.

Sample Motion

Move to approve award of the bid of \$123,400.00 from Southwestern Pulverizer Performance Co. for the Pulverizer Separator Tops and Classifier Assemblies as submitted.



Pulverizer Separator Top and Classifier Assembly



Installed Pulverizer Separator Top and Classifier Assembly

Purchasing Division of Legal Department
INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM



Wes Nespor, Purchasing Agent

*Working Together for a
Better Tomorrow, Today*

BID OPENING

BID OPENING DATE: November 4, 2008 at 11:15 a.m.

FOR: Pulverizer Separator Tops and Classifier Assemblies

DEPARTMENT: Utilities

ESTIMATE: \$200,000.00

FUND/ACCOUNT: 520

PUBLICATION DATE: October 15, 2008

NO. POTENTIAL BIDDERS: 3

SUMMARY

Bidder: Southwestern Pulverizer Performance Corporation
Co

Bid Security: Check# 531782
\$6,170

Exceptions: None

Bid Price:

Material	123,400
Labor	n/a
Sales Tax	n/a
Base Bid	123,400

cc: Gary Mader, Utilities Director
Dale Shotkoski, City Attorney
Jeff Pederson, City Administrator
Rodger Zawadniak, PGS

Bob Smith, Assist. Utilities Director
Wes Nespor, Purchasing Agent
Pat Gericke, Utilities Admin. Assist.
Karen Nagel, Utilities Secretary

P1298

RESOLUTION 2008-329

WHEREAS, the City Electric Department invited sealed bids for Coal Pulverizer Separator Tops and Classifier Assemblies at Platte Generating Station; and

WHEREAS, on November 4, 2008, bids were received, opened and reviewed; and

WHEREAS, Southwestern Pulverizer Performance Company of Ft. Collins, Colorado submitted a bid in accordance with the terms of the advertisement of bids and plans and specifications and all other statutory requirements contained therein, such bid being in the amount of \$123,400.00; and

WHEREAS, the bid of the Southwestern Pulverizer Performance Company, is less than the estimate for Coal Pulverizer Separator Tops and Classifier Assemblies.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA, that the bid of the Southwestern Pulverizer Performance Company of Ft. Collins, Colorado, in the amount of \$123,400.00 for the Coal Pulverizer Separator Tops and Classifier Assemblies at Platte Generating Station is hereby approved as the lowest responsible bid.

- - -

Adopted by the City Council of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska, November 18, 2008.

Margaret Hornady, Mayor

Attest:

RaNae Edwards, City Clerk