



City of Grand Island

Tuesday, February 22, 2011

Council Session

Item G6

**#2011-41 - Approving Bid Award - Precipitator and Duct Cleaning
at Platte Generating Station**

Staff Contact: Gary R. Mader

Council Agenda Memo

From: Gary R. Mader, Utilities Director
Jason Eley, Interim City Attorney

Meeting: February 22, 2011

Subject: Precipitator and Duct Cleaning

Item #'s: G-6

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

Background

The electrostatic precipitator at the Platte Generating Station is the air quality control equipment used to remove coal ash particulates from the plant's boiler flue gas stream. Proper performance of this equipment is required as part of the plant's operating permit. Due to volume and characteristics of the coal ash, the precipitator must be grit blasted twice a year to remove ash build-up to maintain ash removal performance allowing the plant to remain below permitted emission levels. In addition to maintaining performance, removal of the ash deposits also allows an inspection of the precipitator internal surfaces and components. The next scheduled outage for the plant is set for March of this year. Specifications were developed by the plant maintenance staff to include grit blasting of the electrostatic precipitator and bulk vacuuming of the associated ductwork.

Discussion

The specifications for the Precipitator and Duct Cleaning were issued for bid in accordance with the City Purchasing Code. Bids were publicly opened on February 8, 2011. Specifications were sent to four bidders and responses were received from the following bidders. The engineer's estimate for this project was \$80,000.00.

Bidder	Bid Price
W-S Industrial Services, Inc., Council Bluffs, IA	\$ 52,087.00
W.S. Bunch Company, Omaha, NE	\$ 54,194.00
F & H Coatings, LLC, Kechi, KS	\$ 65,367.38
Graycor, Homewood, IL	\$ 105,931.00

The bids were reviewed by plant staff for compliance with the City's detailed specifications. The low bid provided by W-S Industrial Services is compliant with the specifications and less than the engineer's estimate. W-S Industrial Services has successfully performed the specified work at the plant in the past.

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 bid to W-S Industrial Services of Council Bluffs, Iowa, as the low responsive bidder, with the bid price of \$52,087.00.

Sample Motion

Motion to approve the bid of W-S Industrial Services, Inc., in the amount of \$52,087.00 for Precipitator and Duct Cleaning at Platte Generating Station.



Jason Eley, Purchasing Agent

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BID OPENING

BID OPENING DATE: February 8, 2011 at 2:00 p.m.
FOR: Precipitator and Duct Cleaning
DEPARTMENT: Utilities
ESTIMATE: \$80,000.00
FUND/ACCOUNT: 520
PUBLICATION DATE: January 14, 2011
NO. POTENTIAL BIDDERS: 4

SUMMARY

Bidder:	<u>W-S Industrial Services, Inc.</u> Council Bluffs, IA	<u>Graycor</u> Homewood, IL
Bid Security:	Merchants Bonding Company	Federal Insurance Company
Exceptions:	None	Noted

Bid Price:		
Material:	\$12,170.00	\$66,221.00
Labor:	\$36,510.00	\$39,710.00
Sales Tax:	<u>\$ 3,407.00</u>	<u>--- .</u>
Total Base Bid:	\$52,087.00	\$105,931.00

Bidder:	<u>W.S. Bunch Company</u> Omaha, NE	<u>F & H Coatings, LLC</u> Kechi, KS
Bid Security:	United Fire & Casualty Co.	\$3,270.00
Exceptions:	None	Noted

Bid Price:		
Material:	\$ 2,500.00	\$24,161.00
Labor:	\$51,514.00	\$41,206.38
Sales Tax:	<u>\$ 180.00</u>	<u>--- .</u>
Total Base Bid:	\$54,194.00	\$65,367.38

cc: Gary Mader, Utilities Director
Mary Lou Brown, Interim City Administrator
Karen Nagel, Utilities Secretary
Tim Luchsinger, Assist. Utilities Director

Bob Smith, Assist. Utilities Director
Jason Eley, Purchasing Agent
Pat Gericke, Utilities Admin. Assist.

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RESOLUTION 2011-41

WHEREAS, the City of Grand Island invited sealed bids for Precipitator and Duct Cleaning, according to plans and specifications on file with the Utilities Department; and

WHEREAS, on February 8, 2011, bids were received, opened and reviewed; and

WHEREAS, W-S Industrial Services of Council Bluffs, Iowa, 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 \$52,087.00; and

WHEREAS, the bid of W-S Industrial Services, Inc., is less than the estimate for the Precipitator and Duct Cleaning.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA, that the bid of W-S Industrial Services in the amount of \$52,087.00 for Precipitator and Duct Cleaning is hereby approved as the lowest responsible bid.

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Adopted by the City Council of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska, February 22, 2011.

Jay Vavricek, Mayor

Attest:

RaNae Edwards, City Clerk