

# Washington County Service Authority

Emergency Procurement- Sequential Finished Pump Motor Failures Middle Fork Drinking Water Plant

Award Date: 09-17-2024

Vendor Name: Tekwell Services LLC Address: 1301 Galway Street NE

Knoxville, TN 37917

Phone: (865) 524-3681

Description of Goods or Services: 600 HP pump assessment and rebuild.

### Reason for Selecting the Particular Vendor:

Our Middle Fork Drinking water plant experienced ground fault failures on two of our four 600 HP finished water motors within seven days of each other. The performance of the finished water pumps is essential to the process as it is the means of delivery of water from the plant to the public. Normal operations require two motor/pump combinations. There was one critical spare motor on hand. The vendor was contacted and agreed to install the critical spare motor immediately and verify its' performance. The critical spare was installed leaving the plant with three critical pumps and no spares. The vendor was further contracted to rebuild the motor on a rush basis and install the motor upon completion of repairs.

#### **Emergency Procurement Determination:**

Due to meeting immediate needs of the stability of water production at the Middle Fork Drinking Water Plant, WCSA made the decision to immediately contact vendors to rebuild the motors. For this reason, WCSA elected to utilize Emergency Procurement procedures to elect Tekwell Services LLC to perform the installation of the critical spare 600 horsepower motor and rebuild and install one 600 horsepower motor.

Award Date: 09-18-2024

Vendor Name: SW Services LLC Address: 2100 Industrial Blvd

Bristol, TN 37620

Phone: (423) 354-0455

Description of Goods or Services: 600 HP pump assessment and rebuild.

#### Reason for Selecting the Particular Vendor:

Our Middle Fork Drinking water plant experienced ground fault failures on two of our four 600 HP finished water motors within seven days of each other. The performance of the finished water motors/pumps is essential to the process as it is the means of delivery of water from the plant to the public. Normal operations require two motor/pump combinations. There was one critical spare motor on hand. Upon install of the critical spare motor and rebuild/install of the other damaged motor, the plant was left without a viable critical spare motor. The vendor was contacted and agreed to rebuild one of the damaged 600 horsepower motors to replace the critical spare motor.

## **Emergency Procurement Determination:**

Due to meeting immediate needs of the stability of water production at the Middle Fork Drinking Water Plant, WCSA made the decision to immediately contact vendors to rebuild the motors. For this reason, WCSA elected to utilize Emergency Procurement procedures to elect SW Services LLC to perform the rebuild of one 600 horsepower motor.

This written determination shall become part of the contract file, and Public Notice of the same shall be in WCSA 's lobby and on its website for 14 calendar days beginning on the day of award or as soon thereafter as is practicable. This memo shall also be posted on the Department of General Services website.