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MEMORANDUM

DATE: May 20, 2009

TO: MERA Board of Directors

FROM: Maureen Cassingham, Executive Officer

SUBJECT: AGENDA ITEM C-1: REPORT ON AWARD OF CONTRACT –
FORBES RESERVOIR COUNTY FACILITIES
DEMOLITION WITH ASBESTOS ABATEMENT AND
SITE CLEANUP PROJECT

Recommended Action: Receive the Report on Award of Contract by the Executive Committee in the amount of \$23,474.86 to Ryan Engineering, Inc., South San Francisco, California, for the Forbes Reservoir County Facilities Demolition with Asbestos Abatement and Site Cleanup Project.

Background: On October 2, I reported to the Committee that MMWD plans to replace the Forbes Hill Reservoir in the near future. The original site lease between MMWD and the County, dated January 27, 1976, required that all County communications equipment and buildings be removed on termination of the lease. The new lease between MMWD and MERA, dated June 11, 2002, requires MERA to assume the responsibility to completely remove the two old County buildings plus appurtenances upon installation of the new MERA facility. Per the lease, MERA is also responsible for site cleanup including removal of an underground tank, remediation or removal of any contaminated soils and asbestos. MMWD's letter to MERA, dated June 6, 2008, requested that these structures and equipment be removed immediately. During the initial site meeting with MMWD representatives, more time was granted to MERA to complete the project.

On December 17, 2008, the Board approved retention of PES Environmental, Inc.'s, professional services to assist MERA in abating the County facilities and remediating the site. On March 11, 2009, the MERA Board, as recommended by the Executive Committee, authorized the Executive Officer to proceed with the public project informal bid process for this project, leading to the award of a contract by the Executive Committee to perform the work. A Notice to Qualified Contractors Inviting Informal Bids was sent on April 3 to the County's pre-qualified list of bidders, MERA's list of bidders and Builders Exchanges. Engineer's cost estimate for the work was \$50,000. A mandatory pre-bid walk was conducted on April 13. Seven contractors participated.

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Bids were opened on April 30. MERA obtained four (4) bids for the project. They are listed as follows:

<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Bid Amount</u>
Ryan Engineering, Inc. South San Francisco, CA	\$23,474.86
Greener Excavations & Construction, Inc. Fairfax, CA	30,000.00
M. A. Davies Builders, Inc. Fairfax, CA	39,880.00
ENV Environmental International Benicia, CA	61,447.00

Ryan Engineering, Inc. was the low bidder.

Timeline for completion of the work is estimated at five (5) days. Work will commence later in May after the undergrounding of the Ross Valley and Las Gallinas phone line on the site. PES has been contracted for project oversight activities in the field and for activities related to the removal of the underground storage tank at the site along with any contaminated soils.

Source of funding for this project is MERA's Maintenance Reserve.

ATTACHMENT: Resolution