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**WATER POLLUTION CONTROL**

MEMORANDUM

To: Gregg Mandsager, City Administrator  
Cc: Nancy Lueck, Finance Director  
From: Roger Kirby, Director WPCP  
Date: May 1, 2012  
Re: Purchase a Variable Frequency Drive for New Effluent Pump

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**INTRODUCTION:** The correct pumps and accessories have been ordered for the new effluent pumps. There is a 12 to 14 week delivery estimate for these pumps. The pumps that were originally specified for the project did not function properly and V&K has taken responsibility for the error. This order also includes the payment of a retainage held by Williams Brothers.

**BACKGROUND:** The retainage of \$33,274.80 is being withheld by Williams Brothers from the pump supplier (Hutcheson Engineering Products) and they cannot order any pumps from Aurora Pump until this retainage has been paid. We are withholding some retainage from Williams total before closing out the project. To move this process along we have agreed with Hutcheson to pay the retainage and then withhold the same amount from Williams at the end of the project. We have also agreed to have the city order the pumps and accessories in the amount of \$169,455.30 instead of V&K since the city is tax exempt. An additional Variable Frequency Drive (VFD) needs to be ordered for one of the new pumps from VanMeter Industrial.

**RECOMMENDATION/RATIONALE:** Staff recommends that the VFD be approved by council at the May 3, 2012 meeting. There is also a 12-14 week delivery time for this component. All of these items will be negotiated for reimbursement to the city through Williams Brothers and/or V&K.

- 1) Purchase Order Approval to Van Meter Industrial \$ 28,500.00



**WILLIAMS  
BROTHERS  
CONSTRUCTION, INC**

April 16, 2012

Mr. H. R. Veenstra Jr.  
Veenstra & Kimm, Inc.  
3000 Westown Parkway  
West Des Moines, IA. 50266-1320

Re: Muscatine, Iowa  
Water Pollution Control Plant Improvements  
Effluent Pumps, Payment of Retainage

This correspondence is to serve as Williams Brothers Construction Inc. confirmation that we are in agreement with the City of Muscatine's proposal that the City pay Hutcheson Engineering Products Inc. \$33,274.80 in outstanding retainage for effluent pumps and associated equipment. This amount is to be deducted from final retainage paid Williams Brothers Construction Inc. We are attaching a final waiver of lien. We would appreciate you having Hutcheson Engineering execute it once they receive their final payment and return it to us for our records.

Sincerely,

By Martin K. McGann  
Martin K. McGann, Project Manager

Attachment