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Request from: Public Utilities Regulatory Authority

Question:

(ENVIRONMENTAL REMEDIATION) Provide the following regarding the procurement of vendors to perform remediation work on the remediation sites since 2017:

a. The processes the Company followed to ensure costs reflect competitive market rates;
b. Copies of all RFPs the Company issued for and the number of respondents for each RFP;
c. All bids received for each solicitation; and
d. A description of how the Company promoted the RFP and ensured a competitive solicitation process.

Response:

For the purposes of this response, the Company has interpreted "environmental remediation" to mean physical remediation work performed at the remediation sites.

a. The Company generally requires procurements exceeding $50,000 to be competitively bid unless supported by an approved sole-source justification or other documented exception. Procurement may also competitively bid work below that threshold when financially prudent, considering the anticipated benefits of competition and the time and cost of conducting the sourcing event.

   Proposals are evaluated using applicable commercial and technical criteria to identify the best evaluated bid and assess whether proposed costs are reasonable and reflective of market conditions at the time of award.

b. Please refer to RSR-033, Attachment 1, for a listing of environmental remediation events, including the 2019-2024 remediation framework, the 2025-2028 remediation framework, and all project specific RFP events. RSR-033, Attachment 1, also identifies the number of suppliers that responded to each RFP.

   Please refer to RSR-033, Attachment 2 CONFIDENTIAL, for copies of all environmental remediation RFPs listed in RSR-033, Attachment 1.

c. Please refer to RSR-033, Attachment 3, for a listing of the evaluations for these events. RSR-033, Attachment 4 CONFIDENTIAL, includes the evaluation scorecards for these

events. Due to the volume and commercially sensitive nature of the underlying proposals, the Company will make specific proposals available for confidential review upon request.

d. The Company promoted and conducted the RFPs through its established sourcing processes utilizing SAP Ariba. In collaboration with its internal business partners, the Company developed the scope of work, identified qualified suppliers capable of providing the required services, and established the applicable commercial, technical, safety, and business requirements.

   The RFPs were distributed to qualified suppliers through SAP Ariba, which provided a consistent platform for distributing solicitation materials, communicating with participating suppliers, and receiving proposals. Suppliers were identified based on their qualifications, relevant experience, capabilities, and ability to perform the required remediation work.