

LATE ITEM – VI.C.2

MOTION

Director Levesque:

The Pease Development Authority (“PDA”) Board of Directors hereby authorizes the Executive Director to contract with Republic Services, PDA’s on-call emergency spill response contractor, in an amount not to exceed \$35,000, to provide a mobile groundwater treatment trailer to treat groundwater removed from underground utility manhole structures in order to allow Eversource inspections of the manholes on the Pease Tradeport; all in accordance with the memorandum of Jared Sheehan, Environmental Compliance Manager dated August 8, 2024.

In accordance with the provisions of RSA 12-G:8, VIII, the Board justifies the waiver of the RFP requirement as four quotes for the work were obtained and the lowest quote is being utilized.

**Note: This motion requires 5 affirmative votes.
Roll Call Vote Required.**

Memorandum

To: Paul E. Brean, Executive Director
From: Jared Sheehan, Environmental Compliance Manager 
Date: August 8, 2024
Subject: Electrical Manhole Dewatering and Treatment

The utility agreement between Eversource and the PDA indicates that PDA is responsible for managing potential hazardous materials that may impact certain aspects of the underground electrical system maintained by Eversource. Eversource has sixty electrical manhole structures on the Tradeport that need to be dewatered to conduct a visual inspection of the conduit and connects within each structure. Eversource wants to undertake this inspection work later this month. Eversource has provided groundwater data to PDA from several manholes within the set of sixty structures indicating the presence of per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) in the groundwater.

PDA staff contacted four firms to provide estimates for a mobile groundwater treatment trailer that will remove particulate with 50-micron bag filters and PFAS contaminants with two 500-pound carbon vessels to complete this work. Republic Services (Republic), PDAs current on-call emergency spill response & waste disposal contractor was the lowest estimate with a proposal not to exceed \$35,000. PDA anticipates receiving an Industrial Discharge Permit from the City of Portsmouth to allow the treated groundwater from the electrical manholes to be discharged into the city sewer system.

At this month's Board of Directors meeting, please ask the Board to approve Republic's proposal for treating and discharging groundwater from Eversource's electrical manholes at the Tradeport to allow a visual inspection of their underground utilities. Please waive the RFP requirements given PDA received four quotes and has selected the lowest quote.

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