



Rochelle Municipal Utilities Business and Financial Analysis

Memo

To: Dave Plyman
From: Dan Westin
Date: July 25th 2014
Re: Solar Farm Project > 300 kW at treatment plant

SUBJECT: Recommendation for Award of Project

Recommended Action:

Consider Awarding Solar Farm Project > 300 kW at treatment plant to Eagle Point Solar of Dubuque, IA

History and Facts:

On May 27th Council accepted the \$ 500,000 grant from ICECF Foundation for a solar plant at the treatment plant.

RMU has prepared a closed bid process to identify the best company to perform a design to build project for this Solar Farm.

Discussion:

Five bids were received by bid closing, all competitive and from solid companies. The cost per solar W installed is at \$ 2.6 which is a very good number in this industry.

Mr. Chet Kolodziej, an independent solar industry expert, has reviewed the proposals and identified Eagle Point Solar as the winning bidder. See enclosed bid review report.

The total project is estimated at \$ 833,000 where the additional \$ 333,000 funding is coming from the capital budget FY14/15. The project is estimated to be completed by end November.

Recommendation:

Approve Award of the Solar Farm project at the treatment plant to Eagle Point Solar.