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Memo

To: Paula Trigg
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Subj: Justification of Bid

File:
Sect: 14-14118-02-GM
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Paula,

All five of the bids received for the 2014 Warren Township MFT project exceeded the Engineer's Estimate of \$93,434.00. The low bid was over the estimate by \$11,466.00.

A review of the bid tabulation shows that the majority of the cost difference can be attributed to the Leveling Binder and Surface Course HMA tonnage costs. The low bidder's unit prices for these pay items account for a difference of \$12,260 compared to my estimate, and the other four bidders were up to \$19,000 greater than the engineer's estimated unit price for these items.

The reasons for the cost differences can be attributed to small quantity items that were bid higher than the estimate.

As there were five bidders for this project, it is not anticipated that re-letting this project would result in lower bid prices. Based on the above analysis, I recommend that the County award the contract to the low bidder, Chicagoland Paving, Inc., at the bid price of \$104,900.00.

Approved by:

Michael G. Zemaitis P.E.
Engineer of Design

Eric Rosberg
Township Coordinator