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MEMORANDUM

TO: LONZY WOOD, DIRECTOR OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

FROM: JENNIFER WHITAKER, DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING AND MAINTENANCE

SUBJECT: EMERGENCY PROCUREMENT

DATE: APRIL 12, 2021

This memorandum serves as official notice of Emergency Procurement as required by the Rivanna Water and Sewer Authority procurement manual and Section 2.2-4303 of the Virginia Public Procurement Act.

On April 9, 2021 Bill Mawyer, the RWSA Executive Director, at the request of staff, provided an emergency declaration concerning the need to repair gas leaks in Digesters #1, #2 and #3 at the Moores Creek Advanced Water Resource Recovery Facility (MCAWRRF). The gas leaks are a safety concern and are causing significant concrete degradation which has led to Digester #2 being taken out of service thereby reducing solids processing redundancy. Following external and internal inspections by our engineering consultants, it has been decided that installation of rubber seals in the manways and sample ports will mitigate gas leaks into the annular roof space and decrease concrete degradation. Due to the confined space entry requirements, this work cannot be done by in-house staff without significant impact to other needed work efforts.

On April 12, 2021, RWSA procured the emergency services of Waco, Inc. a general contractor that specializes in heavy mechanical and process piping construction. Waco will provide all material and labor associated with the successful installation of the rubber seals in the manways and sample ports in the MCAWRRF Digesters #1, #2, and #3.