



## MEMORANDUM

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Procurement Services

Eric J. Griggs  
Chief Procurement Officer

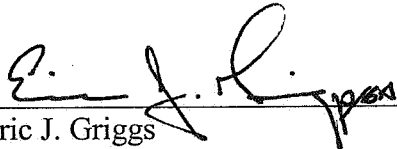
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Date: March 26, 2004

To: Miguel d'Escoto, Commissioner  
Department of Transportation

Attn: Gilbert Quinones

From:   
Eric J. Griggs  
Chief Procurement Officer

Re: Emergency Request Flowable Backfill, North Section

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Pursuant to Section 5/8-10-5 of the Municipal Purchasing Act, I am authorizing you to make an Emergency purchase from Prairie Material. Based upon information received from members of your staff, I have determined that this procurement is necessary to meet bona fide operating emergencies.

You are hereby authorized to purchase Flowable Backfill in the amount of \$40,000.00 as requested in your letter of March 11, 2004. Any amount in excess of the \$40,000.00 approved here shall be subject to additional authorization and shall be limited so as not to exceed the \$40,000 limit established by statute.

cc:S. Geocaris





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March 11, 2004

Eric Griggs  
Acting Chief Procurement Officer  
Department of Procurement Services  
121 North LaSalle Street – Room 403  
Chicago, Illinois 60602

Re: Emergency Purchase of Flowable Backfill to be Used North of  
Cermak Road

Dear Mr. Griggs:

The Chicago Department of Transportation is requesting an emergency purchase of flowable backfill to be used for work **north** of Cermak Road which is not to exceed \$40,000.00. Under separate cover, CDOT will also be requesting emergency flowable backfill for work south of Cermak. The Chicago Department of Transportation is working in conjunction with the Department of Procurement Services to develop specifications for a contract for flowable backfill. Currently no contract exists to purchase the item.

The need for this purchase of flowable backfill is based on providing safety for the general public and by using flowable backfill, CDOT will shave three (3) days off of each project (vaulted sidewalks typically take 21 days to replace). Those three (3) days will decrease the time that a dangerous situation could exist. With flowable backfill, the vault crews will be able to backfill the vault and frame the curb and gutter the same day.

The urgency for the purchase of flowable backfill is that the construction season is underway and many of the vaulted sidewalks that currently need replacing are considered dangerous to the public. This purchase order will allow CDOT to backfill approximately 45 of the vaulted sidewalks that are deemed dangerous and need to be completed in a more efficient manner.

If additional information is required, please contact Louis Langone at 744-5717.

Sincerely

Miguel d'Escoto  
Commissioner

Originated by:

Cheri Heramb  
Deputy Commissioner  
Bureau of Administration and Planning

cc: A. Conner

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March 10, 2004

Ms. Cindy Williams  
City of Chicago  
Suite #500  
30 N. LaSalle  
Chicago, IL 60602

Dear Ms. Williams,

Prairie Material will provide a proprietary "Quick Fill" material to the City of Chicago.

Prairie will deliver the material in ready mix concrete trucks to any City of Chicago project for \$47.35 per cubic yard.

Thank you for this opportunity and whenever you or your co-workers will place an order, just call our order board at 708-458-0400. The mix designation is QF-100.

Sincerely,

  
Gerry Krozel  
Vice President