

NOTICE OF INTENT TO WAIVE COMPETITIVE BIDDING TO THE PUBLIC:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that East Central Energy, located at 412 Main Ave N, Braham, MN, 55006, intends to waive the competitive bidding requirements to contract with the proposed vendors below.

Name: East Central Energy

Category: Procurement

Region: Entire State of Wisconsin

SUBJECT OF WAIVER:

- Schweitzer Engineering Laboratories (SEL)
Real-Time Automation Controller (RTAC)
- **Proposed Vendor:**
 - o Pro-Tech Power Sales, Inc. (Pro-Tech)
- **Amount:**
 - o \$10,000 each, quantity 1

JUSTIFICATION FOR WAIVER:

The competitive bidding process is being waived to contract directly with Pro-Tech for 1 SEL RTAC at a cost of \$10,000 each. The waiver is due to the uniqueness of the product, which requires specialized software, training, troubleshooting practices, documentation, and existing backup supply that cannot be replicated with another product. The SEL platform is integrated with the current technology used by the subrecipient and internal staff are trained in the features and processes involved. Pro-Tech is the exclusive sales representative for SEL products in Minnesota.

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