



Emergency Purchase Number: EA14-09

Office/Division: Division of Highways / District 1

Address: 201 West Center Court
Schaumburg, IL 60196-1096

Chief Procurement Officer: Bill Grunloh

Vendor: Benchmark Construction Co., Inc.

Address: 2260 Southwind Blvd.
Bartlett, IL 60103

Estimated Cost: \$40,000

Final Cost: \$22,063.14

This expenditure is justified as:

- An emergency involving public health.
- An emergency involving public safety.
- Necessary to protect State property from further loss or damage.
- Necessary to prevent or minimize serious disruption in State services.
- Necessary to insure integrity of State records.
- Quick purchase as provided by Section 20-30 (d) of the Illinois Procurement Code.

The conditions and circumstances requiring this emergency expenditure are:

Tuesday evening, June 24, 2014 after receiving only an inch and a half of rain, the Eisenhower Expressway (1-290) was flooded at 25th Avenue Bellwood. It took over eight hours for the water to recede; throughout that time all traffic using the expressway had to find alternate routes, causing serious traffic congestion in the area. An investigation revealed that the water was unable to reach the main drain due to a failed catchbasin on the right side of 1-290 EB at 25th Avenue. In order to ensure that the highway doesn't flood again during the next rain event, the catchbasin must be reconstructed, the pipes leading to / from the structure must be reconnected, and After contacting several contractors experienced in this type of repairs, Benchmark Construction Co. Inc. was the first available qualified firm that could begin work on the repairs immediately. The following companies were contacted but were unable to begin the repairs immediately:

- Ricci Welch Inc., 4050 Industrial Ave, Rolling Meadows, IL 60008
- Alliance Contractors, Inc. 1166 Lake Ave, Woodstock, IL 60098
- Berger Excavating Contractors, Inc. 1205 Garland Rd, Wauconda, IL 60084
- Joel Kennedy Construction Corp - 40 Noll Street, Waukegan, IL 60085