



COUNTY OF ERIE

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COUNTY EXECUTIVE

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May 16, 2025

Erie County Legislature
92 Franklin Street, 4th Floor
Buffalo, New York 14202

**RE: Erie County Sewer District No. 3
Southtowns Incinerators Heat Exchanger Replacement Project
Contract No. 71, Change Order No. 1**

Honorable Members:

Enclosed please find a memorandum from the Department of Environment and Planning pertaining to Change Order No. 1 for the Southtowns Incinerators Heat Exchanger Replacement Project, Erie County Sewer District No. 3, Contract No. 71.

Should your Honorable Body require further information, I encourage you to contact the Department of Environment and Planning. Thank you for your consideration on this matter.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Mark C. Poloncarz".

Mark C. Poloncarz, Esq.
Erie County Executive

MCP: mp

Enclosure

cc: Joseph Fiegl, Deputy Commissioner, Division of Sewerage Management

MEMORANDUM

To: Honorable Members of the Erie County Legislature
From: Department of Environment and Planning
Re: Erie County Sewer District No. 3
Southtowns Incinerators Heat Exchanger Replacement Project
Contract No. 71, Change Order No. 1
Date: May 2, 2025

SUMMARY

Your Honorable Body is requested to receive and file this communication pertaining to Change Order No. 1 to Hohl Industrial Services, Inc. for the Southtowns Incinerators Heat Exchanger Replacement Project, Erie County Sewer District No. 3, Contract No. 71. The Change Order increases the Contract time by 87 days. The time extension was necessary due to equipment delays and unforeseen conditions related to retrofitting equipment into the location.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

There will be no fiscal impact on the County's General Fund. This is a no cost time extension.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

Although attempts were made to procure equipment for the work under time given in the Contract, manufacturers and suppliers created delays that did not make that possible. Delivery schedules have generally been unreliable across the industry. In addition, conflicts were discovered when placing the first heat exchanger that required extra work and time.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The Southtowns Incinerators Heat Exchanger Replacement Project was awarded to Hohl Industrial Services under Legislative Comm. 2E-23 (2024) and involves the replacement of heat exchangers essential to the operation of the Southtowns Advanced Wastewater Treatment Facility incinerators. These improvements were needed to improve heat recovery up to design levels. Heat exchangers have to be replaced regularly, after many years of use, to maintain proper operation of the incinerators. The original time of completion was February 21, 2025. This extension changes the completion date to May 19, 2025.

CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION

This is a receive and file item.

STEPS FOLLOWING APPROVAL

This is a receive and file item.