COMPETITIVE BID REQUIREMENTS FOR REASONABLE COST DETERMINATION

Per state statute, all acquisitions, contracts and/or subcontracts for corrective actions, labor or equipment which exceeds \$2,500.00 from any one vendor, or subcontractor, for any one site, shall be awarded to the lowest and best bidder, based on a competitive bid process. Also, by statute, an affidavit of non-collusion, such as the example contained in Section 85.22 of Title 74, modified in wording as appropriate, and signed by both the bid soliciting party and the bidding subcontractor is required to accompany all submitted competitive bids. A PSTD approved "Non-Collusion Statement" form is posted on the OCC/PSTD web site and may be used in the competitive bid process. Both the bid and its accompanying statement of non-collusion must be dated and contain the original signature of a person within each signing company who has authority to submit the document. The PSTD will not accept competitive bids without the properly executed affidavit of non-collusion. provided by a case's licensed Environmental Consultant of Record are not subject to the bidding requirement. Services provided by the case consultant of record will be reimbursed at current, approved reasonable costs.

POLICY FOR WELL DECOMMISSIONING COST REIMBURSEMENT

Fair and reasonable costs for decommissioning <u>remediation system wells</u> <u>MUST</u> be established by the competitive bid process. Two separate and independent bids are required. However, if possible, three bids are preferred. PSTD reserves the right to make a determination of fair and reasonable reimbursement costs by either accepting the lowest and best submitted competitive bid, or by additional cost estimates obtained by PSTD staff.

Reimbursement of fair and reasonable costs for decommissioning <u>monitoring</u> <u>wells</u>, providing the monitoring wells were installed under Unit Cost well installation rates, will be by appropriate Unit Cost monitoring well decommissioning rates.