

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**SARPY COUNTY, NEBRASKA**  
**RESOLUTION APPROVING PROPOSAL FROM THOMPSON, DREESSEN &**  
**DORNER INC. FOR**  
**SEWER RATE STUDY UPDATE**

WHEREAS, pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. §23-104(6)(Reissue 1997), the County has the power to do all acts in relation to the concerns of the County necessary to the exercise of its corporate powers; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. §23-103 (Reissue 1997), the powers of the County as a body are exercised by the County Board; and,

WHEREAS, Sarpy County is in need of an update of the September 8, 2003 sewer rate study prepared by Thompson, Dreessen & Dorner (TD<sup>2</sup>); and,

WHEREAS, a proposal has been received from TD<sup>2</sup> to perform an update of such study;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, By the Sarpy County Board of Commissioners that the attached proposal from TD<sup>2</sup> is hereby approved and the County Board Chairman is authorized to sign the same.

Dated this 7<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2010.

Moved by Rich Jansen, and seconded by Jim Nekuda, that the above Resolution be adopted. Carried.

YEAS: [Signature] NAYS: none ABSENT: none

[Signature] \_\_\_\_\_

[Signature] \_\_\_\_\_

ABSTAIN: none

[Signature] \_\_\_\_\_

[Signature] \_\_\_\_\_

Attest:

[Signature]  
Sarpy County Clerk



Approved as to form:

[Signature]  
Deputy County Attorney

November 22, 2010

Sarpy County, Nebraska  
1210 Golden Gate Drive  
Papillion, NE 68046

ATTN: Mr. Brian Hanson

RE: Sarpy County - Sewer Rate Study Proposal  
TD<sup>2</sup> File No. 229-216.4

Brian:

This proposal is prepared at your request to perform a comprehensive sewer rate study for the South Papillion Creek Sewer Systems. We have prepared the following scope of services for your consideration:

- Meet with Sarpy County personnel that are knowledgeable of the operations of the Sarpy County South Papillion Creek sewer systems to obtain background information of recent activities and future goals of Sarpy County in relation to the sewer systems.
- Analyze historical operational / repair costs, including operations of Commerce Business Center lift station, MUD billing costs and City of Omaha administrative / treatment costs.
- Analyze sewer use fee revenues collected by MUD and non-MUD users and impact of recent inter-local agreements with Omaha, LaVista and Papillion.
- Analyze platting and sewer connection fee revenue and impact of recent inter-local agreements with Omaha, LaVista and Papillion.
- Research into whether other non-MUD users may have hooked on to the Sarpy County sewer system since the original study was completed.
- Analyze impact of current Omaha bulk sewage rates through 2014 as published in the Omaha Code.
- Possible future financial impact of Omaha combined sewer separation program.
- Recommendations for sewer use fees that will provide adequate revenues to meet expenses and provide desired level of reserves.

Mr. Brian Hanson  
November 22, 2007  
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We propose to perform these professional services based upon the attached fee schedule. We will not exceed \$12,000 without prior written approval of Sarpy County. We propose to invoice our services on a monthly basis.

We appreciate the opportunity to submit our proposal. If it is acceptable, please have the extra-enclosed copy signed and returned to this office. Feel free to contact me if clarifications or changes are needed.

Respectfully submitted,

*Arthur D. Beccard*

Arthur D. Beccard, P.E.  
THOMPSON, DREESSEN & DORNER, INC.

ADB/bam

cc: Joe Franco

This proposal is accepted this 7<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2010 for:

Sarpy County Billing Address: 1210 Golden Gate Dr.  
Company or Individual Papillion NE 68046

By: *Joni Albrecht*  
(Signature)

Title: Chairman

402/593-4195 / 402-593-4471  
Telephone No. // Facsimile No.

Approved as to form:

*[Signature]*  
County Attorney



THOMPSON, DREESSEN & DORNER, INC.

RATE SCHEDULE

<u>TITLE</u>	<u>HOURLY RATE</u>
Civil/Structural Principal	\$140.00
Senior Engineer	\$100.00-\$130.00
Staff Engineer	\$85.00-\$95.00
Engineer	\$65.00-\$80.00
Senior Engineering Technician	\$70.00
Staff Engineering Technician	\$50.00-\$60.00
Senior Computer Aided Drafting Technician and Equipment	\$85.00
Staff Computer Aided Drafting Technician and Equipment	\$70.00-\$80.00
Computer Aided Drafting Technician and Equipment	\$65.00
Construction Observer	\$50.00-\$70.00
Survey Principal	\$120.00
Chief of Surveys	\$110.00
Registered Land Surveyor	\$85.00-\$95.00
3-Person Survey Crew	\$160.00
2-Person Survey Crew	\$135.00
Clerical	\$50.00-\$60.00
Mileage	\$.75/Mile
Electronic Data Collection Equipment	\$25.00-\$43.00
Drillrig and Operator	\$175.00

April 26, 2010

# Sarpy County Board of Commissioners

1210 GOLDEN GATE DRIVE  
PAPILLION, NE  
593-4155  
[www.sarpy.com](http://www.sarpy.com)

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FISCAL ADMIN./PURCHASING AGT. Brian Hanson



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Jim Warren District 5

## MEMO

To: Sarpy County Board

From: Brian Hanson

Re: Sewer Rate Study

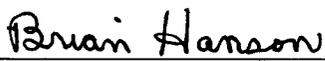
Sarpy County owns and operates the Sarpy County Industrial Sewer and several other outfall sewers. We charge all users a flow charge, or use fee for the waste that flows through our sewer line. These funds are used for the maintenance and upkeep of the sewer lines. It has been six years since the use fee has been adjusted. It is important to have a Sewer Rate Study because:

- a. The City of Omaha will significantly increase their fees over the next 5 - 10 years and if we don't increase our fees, we will end up paying the City of Omaha more than we are collecting;
- b. We need to have accurate projections of future maintenance costs so that funds are available when repairs are required; and,
- c. Non - MUD customers such as Gretna and Sapp Brothers are charged flat rates and they may have had significant volume increases since the last study was completed.

The attached proposal has been received from Thompson, Dreessen and Dorner. They did the engineering for the original sewer construction and also did the previous sewer rate study. The proposal is complete and also includes an analysis of sewer connection fees. The cost will not exceed \$12,000.

I recommend approval.

November 30, 2010

  
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Brian Hanson, Fiscal Administrator

BH/lt

cc: Mark Wayne  
Scott Bovick  
Deb Houghtaling  
Mike Smith

# Deb Houghtaling

Fred Uhe  
Chief Deputy

# Sarpy County Clerk

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Assistant Chief Deputy

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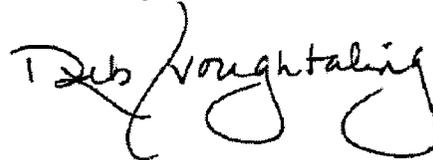
December 8, 2010

Thompson, Dreessen & Dorner, Inc.  
Arthur D. Beccard  
10836 Old Mill Road  
Omaha NE 68154

RE: Sewer Rate Study Proposal  
TD2 File No. 229-216.4

Enclosed is an original proposal for the above referenced project which has been approved by the Sarpy County Board and signed by the Chairman on December 7, 2010.

Sincerely,



Deb Houghtaling  
Sarpy County Clerk

Enclosures  
DH/kk