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Local Firm Awarded Major Airport Infrastructure Maintenance Contract

--Romulus-based Pritula & Sons wins \$2.6M contract

The Wayne County Airport Authority (WCAA) has awarded a major contract for facility and infrastructure maintenance to Romulus-based William A. Pritula & Sons, LLC for projects at both Detroit Metropolitan Airport (DTW) and Willow Run Airport (YIP). The contract is valued not to exceed \$2,632,500 for the initial, one-year term and includes two, one-year renewal options.

“The Airport Authority is pleased and proud to have been able to award a major contract to a small, local business right in our backyard,” said WCAA CEO Lester Robinson. “We take great pride in our commitment to supporting local, small businesses and this award underscores our airports’ significant economic impact on the Southeast Michigan community.”

The contract, recently approved by the Wayne County Airport Authority Board, will allow the Airport Authority’s Facilities and Infrastructure Management Division to perform necessary pavement rehabilitation on public roadways and the airfields, which cannot be completed by in-house maintenance staff due to the scope and complexity of such repairs. The Airport Authority anticipates spending as much as \$7.9 million over the three-year maximum term of the contract depending on actual needs and the availability of funds.

William A. Pritula & Sons, LLC, is a certified Small Business Enterprise (SBE) under the Airport Authority’s SBE program launched in 2008. Pritula & Sons also listed two additional SBE firms as subcontractors in their bid proposal--S&J Asphalt Paving of Canton, Mich., and Cougar Sales & Rental of Novi, Mich.

“I look forward to tackling these projects on the airports’ airfields and roadways,” said President and Owner Bill Pritula. “Keeping these two airports in operationally-capable condition is important to the economy of this region and I am confident that Pritula & Sons can do a top-quality job.”

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“We have seen repeatedly how spending on transportation infrastructure turns out to be an investment in our future,” said Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano. “I congratulate Pritula & Sons for their successful bid.”

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