

THE COMPTROLLER GENERAL OF THE UNITED STATES

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MATTER OF: City Electric, Inc. : CNG 01037 Ocurement Not Involving Federal Funds Protested 7

Procurement by Bristol Bay Telephone Co-operative, Inc., using funds borrowed from Rural Electrification Administration is neither Federal procurement nor procurement involving Federal grant funds and, therefore, will not be reviewed by GAO.

City Electric, Inc., protests the procurement bidding procedures employed by the Bristol Bay DCG-01940 Telephone Co-operative, Inc. (Bristol Bay), for the construction of outside plant telephone lines and associated facilities. The Rural Electrification ABCOZZO Administration (REA) has advised our Office that the funds involved are exclusively those of Bristol Bay, obtained through a loan from REA, and repayable to REA.

Since the protest involves neither a procurement by or for an agency of the Federal Government, nor a procurement by a Federal grantee, our Office will not consider the matter. See New England Insulation Co., B-188784, April 21, 1977, 77-1 CPD 276; Power Insulation Company, B-189308, June 23, 1977, 77-1 CPD 452.

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