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Daniel S. Duchniak, PE City of Waukesha Waukesha Water Utilities P.O Box 1648 Waukesha, WI 53187

Subject: Waukesha Water Utilities, City of Waukesha, Wisconsin, Contract Package 5 – Return Flow

Pipeline Bid Report

Dear Mr. Duchniak:

Bids were received, opened and read aloud via conference call at 10:00 A.M., on May 14, 2020. We have tabulated and reviewed the proposals for Contract Package 5. Our findings are as follows:

1. Proposals Received

Proposals were received from the following firms:

- S.J. Louis Construction, Inc.
- Garney Companies, Inc.
- James Peterson Sons, Inc.
- Dorner, Inc.
- Advanced Construction, Inc.
- Super Excavators, Inc.
- PTS Contractors, Inc.

All Bidders were pre-qualified and attended the mandatory Pre-Bid Conference for General Contractors held on March 31, 2020.

All Bidders acknowledged receipt of Addendum Nos. 1, 2, 3, and 4.

The proposals are summarized in the attached Bid Tabulation. Four out of seven of the proposals are below the Engineer's Opinion of Probable Construction Cost (OPCC) and three were above the Engineer's OPCC. S.J. Louis Construction, Inc. is the apparent low bidder.

2. <u>Irregularities</u>

The following irregularities are noted:

- Several bidders (as shown in the attached Bid Evaluation table) did not meet the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) percentage requirements.
- Several Bidders did not provide all attachments required under Article 8 of the Bid Form.

3. Contingent Conditions

No contingent conditions were listed by any Bidder.

4. <u>Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE) Requirements</u>

These requirements were not met S.J. Louis Construction, Inc. Subsequent to opening the bids, Greeley and Hansen inquired as to S.J. Louis's intent to meet the DBE requirements. S.J. Louis verbally indicated that they intend to meet the DBE and have provided written documentation indicating

that their DBE participation will by 11.2% without changing the final bid proposed price. The following updated forms were provided:

- Bid Form 00 41 00
 - o Article 6 Basis of Bid
 - Article 8 Subcontracted Work Form
- Disadvantaged Businesses Enterprise (DBE) and Local Businesses Participation 00 73 39
 - o Disadvantaged Businesses Enterprise (DBE) Commitment Form
 - Local Businesses Participation Commitment Form

5. Qualifications of Apparent Low Bidder

S.J. Louis Construction, Inc. is a General Contractor headquartered Rockville, Minnesota with a local office in Racine, Wisconsin. Their submitted experience includes construction of public works facilities, including the following projects:

- 2017 Mainline Improvements, Schedule 1-Pipeline, New Ipswich, South Dakota
- York County 24-Inch Water Main Phase II, Newport News, Virginia
- 42-Inch Townson Water Transmission Main, Townson, Baltimore County, Maryland
- Pumping Station 18-Inch Force Main, Madison, Wisconsin
- Bush Creek Force Main & Sod Run Interceptor Sewer Phase II, Hartford County, Maryland

Greeley and Hansen and Black & Veatch have checked the submitted project references and they were found to be satisfactory. S.J. Louis Construction, Inc has been found to have the capacity to satisfactorily complete the Waukesha Water Utility Contract Package 5 – Return Flow Pipeline Project.

We recommend the City Attorney review the proposal of S.J. Louis Construction, Inc. to determine if it is legal and binding. Contingent on this review and approval by the Board, we recommend the Waukesha Water Utilities, City of Waukesha, Wisconsin, Contract Package 5 – Return Flow Pipeline contract be awarded to, S.J. Louis Construction, Inc., in the amount of \$33,698,000.00.

Yours very truly,

GREELEY AND HANSEN LLC

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Enclosure

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