



May 21, 2020

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Subject: Waukesha Water Utilities, City of Waukesha, Wisconsin, Contract Package 6 – Return Flow Pipeline, 18-Inch Gravity Sewer, Reaeration Structure, and Outfall 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 6. Our findings are as follows:

1. Proposals Received

Proposals were received from the following firms:

- S.J. Louis Construction, Inc.
- Super Excavators, Inc.
- Walsh/ Benchmark JV

All Bidders were pre-qualified and attended the mandatory Pre-Bid Conference for General Contractors held on April 14, 2020.

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

The proposals are summarized in the attached Bid Tabulation. All proposals are above the Engineer's Opinion of Probable Construction Cost. S.J. Louis Construction, Inc. is the apparent low bidder.

2. Irregularities

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

An alternate construction method was submitted for Bid Alternate No. 1 by Walsh/Benchmark JV.

4. Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE) Requirements

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 be 10.7% without changing the final bid proposed price. The following updated forms were provided:

- Bid Form - 00 41 00

- Article 6 – Basis of Bid
- Article 8 - Subcontracted Work Form
- Disadvantaged Businesses Enterprise (DBE) and Local Businesses Participation - 00 73 39
  - 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 6 – Return Flow Pipeline 18-Inch Gravity Sewer, Reaeration Structure, and Outfall 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 6 – Return Flow Pipeline 18-Inch Gravity Sewer, Reaeration Structure, and Outfall contract be awarded to, S.J. Louis Construction, Inc., in the amount of \$60,200,000. A "Notification of Intent to Award" letter, conditioned upon approval by the City of Waukesha Board of Public Works, Waukesha Water Utilities Commission, and City of Waukesha Common Council under the SRF program, should be forwarded to S.J. Louis Construction, Inc.

Yours very truly,

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