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ENGINEERING ARCHITECTURE LAND SURVEYING

August 1, 2011

Ms. Kathy Cooper, Water/WRP Superintendent
Rochelle Municipal Utilities
P.O. Box 456
Rochelle, Illinois 61068

Re: Treatment Plant Roof Replacement
Award Recommendation
WHA No. 1178D11

Dear Kathy:

Proposals for the Treatment Plant Roof Replacement project were received and opened on July 27, 2011 at 11:00 A.M. at the Rochelle City Council chambers. Six (6) proposals were received.

Two (2) addenda were issued prior to the bid opening. All proposals were submitted with the required bid security. The proposals were reviewed for completeness and read aloud. A tabulation of all the bids, including a listing of items to be submitted with the proposal, was later verified. A certified copy of the bid tabulation is attached for your information.

BIDDING IRREGULARITIES

O'Rorke Construction Services, Inc. did not acknowledge receipt of Addenda #2 on the submitted bid form.

SUMMARY OF BASE BIDS

The low Base Bid of \$169,495.00 was \$118,505.00 and 41.1% under our estimate of \$288,000.00. A tabulation of the bids comparing them to our estimate in dollars and percentages is as follows:

CONTRACTOR	BID	\$ Over/Under Estimate	\$ Over/Under Estimate
Distinctive Roofing, Inc. Rockford, Illinois	\$169,495.00	\$118,505.00 ↓	41.1% ↓
Bruns Construction, Inc. Rochelle, Illinois	\$181,758.00	\$106,242.00 ↓	36.9% ↓
Roofing Systems, Inc. Loves Park, Illinois	\$198,900.00	\$89,100.00 ↓	30.9% ↓
Sterling Commercial Roofing, Inc. Sterling, Illinois	\$232,800.00	\$55,200.00 ↓	19.2% ↓
McDermaid Roofing & Insulating Co. Rockford, Illinois	\$237,274.00	\$50,726.00 ↓	17.6% ↓
O'Rorke Construction Services, Inc. Rochelle, Illinois	\$328,901.00	\$40,901.00 ↑	14.2% ↑

SUMMARY OF BASE BID MINUS ALL ALTERNATE BIDS

The low Base Bid minus ALL Alternate Bids of \$57,928.00 was \$24,572.00 and 29.8% under our estimate of \$82,500.00. A tabulation of the bids comparing them to our estimate in dollars and percentages is as follows:

CONTRACTOR	BID	\$ Over/Under Estimate	\$ Over/Under Estimate
Distinctive Roofing, Inc. Rockford, Illinois	\$57,928.00	\$24,572.00 ↓	29.8% ↓
Bruns Construction, Inc. Rochelle, Illinois	\$63,137.00	\$19,363.00 ↓	23.5% ↓
Roofing Systems, Inc. Loves Park, Illinois	\$67,900.00	\$14,600.00 ↓	17.7% ↓
Sterling Commercial Roofing, Inc. Sterling, Illinois	\$77,300.00	\$5,200.00 ↓	6.3% ↓
McDermid Roofing & Insulating Co. Rockford, Illinois	\$92,366.00	\$9,866.00 ↑	12.0% ↑
O'Rorke Construction Services, Inc. Rochelle, Illinois	\$141,207.00	\$58,707.00 ↑	71.2% ↑

STATEMENT OF BIDDER'S QUALIFICATIONS

We have no previous working experience with Distinctive Roofing, Inc. on any type of project. Based on information provided on their Statement of Bidder's Qualifications form and the attached letter and reference list, we can report the following.

1. Distinctive Roofing, Inc. was incorporated in September of 2009. The owner is Mr. Nick Nardiello. Previously Mr. Nardiello worked in Chicago as a Supervisor, Foreman, and Roofer. He has over 32 years experience in Roofing, including EPDM roof systems.
2. Distinctive Roofing, Inc. described the general character of their work as Commercial Roofing.
3. Distinctive Roofing, Inc. stated that they have not failed to complete any work awarded to them or defaulted on a contract.
4. Recently completed projects were for Creekside Apartments (\$660,000) and NIU Grant Tower C Renovations (\$96,056).
5. We checked a few of the references Distinctive Roofing, Inc. provided, and the following are the comments from the references.

Mr. Farris, Ringland Johnson Construction Co.

Distinctive Roofing, Inc. was good to work with, especially the field guy, Jon Neslund. Mr. Farris said that he was overall satisfied with the work and that he would take them over 90% of the roofers out there.

Mr. Marre, Marre Development, LLC

Mr. Marre has done many projects with this company for many years, totaling well over 800,000 square feet of roofing systems. Mr. Marre stated that they have completed roofing systems of TPO,

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asphalt, and EPDM. Mr. Marre described them as great guys to work with and that the paper work was always in order. He also stated that on the occasion that warranty work was required, they have been prompt and professional about the situation. Mr. Marre said he would recommend them for any project.

PROJECT AWARD

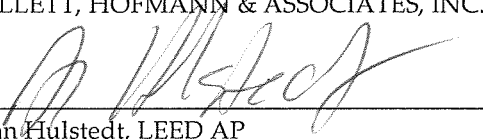
The apparent low bidder was interviewed by phone, and the scope of work, material quantities, construction schedule and construction procedures were discussed. Based on the information obtained during the interview with the Contractor, we were assured that the complete scope of work has been included in the bid proposal and that the Contractor has the experience, capability, forces and equipment to competently and completely perform the work per the requirements as specified on the Drawings and in the Project Manual.

Therefore, based on the information stated herein and budgetary considerations, it is recommended that the City of Rochelle award the Contract for the construction of the Project entitled: Treatment Plant Roof Replacement Project to Distinctive Roofing, Inc. of Rockford, Illinois for the amount of Fifty Seven Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty Eight and 00/100 Dollars (\$57,928.00) for the scope of work included in Base Bid and Deductive Alternate Bid #1, Alternate Bid #2, Alternate Bid #3, and Alternate Bid #4.

Please feel free to call if you have any questions, or we are willing to meet with you at your convenience to discuss the bid award in more detail.

Sincerely,

WILLETT, HOFMANN & ASSOCIATES, INC.

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cc: Joanne Peters, RMU Administrative Assistant w/ encl. ✓
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