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**RE: 1412 Bid Analysis for Rochelle RICE NESHAP Improvements**

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**From :** Lincoln Duncan <lduncan@bhmg.com>  
**Subject :** RE: 1412 Bid Analysis for Rochelle RICE NESHAP Improvements  
**To :** Joe Orlikowski <jorlikowski@rmu.net>  
**Cc :** Lukas C. Pirok <lpirok@bhmg.com>, Verbal J. Blakey <vblakey@bhmg.com>

Wed, Sep 05, 2012 08:50 AM

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Joe

Here you go.

Lincoln

-----Original Message-----

From: Joe Orlikowski [mailto:jorlikowski@rmu.net]  
Sent: Wednesday, September 05, 2012 7:45 AM  
To: Lincoln Duncan; Lukas C. Pirok; Verbal J. Blakey  
Subject: Fwd: 1412 Bid Analysis for Rochelle RICE NESHAP Improvements

Lincoln,

I had a phone conversation with our city lawyer and he does not have a problem with the information I provided him based upon your information to award the bid to the second lowest bidder.

You can see his response.

Do you need to change anything on your recommendation? I need this first thing this morning, if not I will put together my recommendation.

Joe Orlikowski

----- Forwarded Message -----

From: "Alan Cooper" <cooplaw@rochelle.net>  
To: "Joe Orlikowski" <jorlikowski@rmu.net>  
Sent: Tuesday, September 4, 2012 3:44:54 PM  
Subject: Re: 1412 Bid Analysis for Rochelle RICE NESHAP Improvements

Joe: This will confirm our conversation regarding this matter. The City Code provides that in all cases where contracts are let for competitive bidding, the City Council reserves the right to accept the bid that it considers to be in the best interest of the City.

Under Illinois law, the City would be well within its rights in awarding the bid to the second-low bidder, based on the low bidder's failure to comply with the bid specification regarding written proof that the bidder will complete at least 30% of the work in house, particularly where the bid specification is meant to insure that bidders have the necessary expertise to complete a very technical project on time. In this particular case, I understand that although you consider the low bidder to be a responsible contractor in general, you are concerned that they do not seem to have the particular expertise and experience that is needed for this project. Under those circumstances, the City Council could certainly exercise its discretion to accept the bid from the second-low bidder.

Alan

----- Original Message -----

From: "Joe Orlikowski" <jorlikowski@rmu.net>  
To: "Alan Cooper" <cooplaw@rochelle.net>  
Cc: "Sue Messer" <smesser@rochelleil.us>; "David Plyman" <dplyman@rochelleil.us>; "Joanne Peters" <jpeters@rmu.net>  
Sent: Tuesday, September 04, 2012 9:14 AM  
Subject: Fwd: 1412 Bid Analysis for Rochelle RICE NESHAP Improvements

Alan,

The bid specification for the EPA RICE NESHAP project at our generation facilities stated in Section 00420 Qualifications, Subsection 2.03.B, states that the Bidder shall submit written proof that the Bidder will complete a minimum 30% of the overall project by his own company and workers.

In reviewing the bids, Stenstrom's bid did not include documentation to support this requirement. Major completed projects identified in Stenstrom's bid documentation include two design/build projects that Stenstrom provided 25% of cost with its own work force. Stenstrom's Qualification Statement, Section 3.1, lists the categories of carpentry, concrete, and demo as work Stenstrom normally performs with its own forces. Boiler and piping work are not listed.

The Prequalification documentation submitted in the bid documentation of the next lowest bidder, Independent Mechanical Industries, indicates that they will complete 100% of boiler and piping work without using subcontractors.

Please see the bid analysis in the attached PDF.

I would like to recommend Independent Mechanical Industries since they meet all the bid specifications. Do you see any problems with taking the second lowest bids?

Let me know as soon as possible so I can give the city manager my recommendation.

Joe Orlikowski

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From: "Lincoln Duncan" <lduncan@bhmg.com>  
To: "Joe Orlikowski (jorlikowski@rmu.net)" <jorlikowski@rmu.net>  
Cc: "Lukas C. Pirok" <lpirok@bhmg.com>  
Sent: Monday, September 3, 2012 10:32:28 AM  
Subject: 1412 Bid Analysis for Rochelle RICE NESHAP Improvements

Joe

Attached is the draft result of the bid analysis we discussed. Please review and advise of any comments. I will be in the field on Tuesday morning but available much of the morning by cell so feel free to contact me. Cell service is poor in parts of the plant so be sure and leave a voice mail.

Best regards,  
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