April 4, 2013

Mr. Levi Jensen, P.E. City of Gillette P.O. Box 3003 Gillette, WY 82717

Project:

PMS 2013 - Schedule B, 12EN27

Re:

Award Recommendation

Dear Mr. Jensen,

We have reviewed the bid forms and bid bonds submitted for the above referenced project. The original bids and bid tabulation sheet are attached for your use.

The five bidders on the project were Simon Contractors, Intermountain Construction and Materials, S&S Builders, LLC, Powder River Construction, Inc., and Mountain View Building, Inc. All bids were submitted on time and had the required Bid Bond. All bids were from resident contractors and included a Residency Certificate. In addition, Addendum No. 1 was acknowledged by all bidders.

The bids for the project ranked as follows:

The low bidder was Powder River Construction at:	\$ 847,126.00
The second low bidder was Intermountain Construction and Materials at:	\$ 873,787.50
The third low bidder was S&S Builders at:	\$ 884,219.45
The fourth low bidder was Simon Contractors at:	\$ 889,501.50
The fifth low bidder was Mountain View Building at :	\$ 1,143,888.00
The Engineer's Estimate was	\$ 1,002,550.00

During our bid evaluation, discrepancies with the bid requirements outlined in the Instructions to Bidders were discovered. The informalities include:

Intermountain Construction and Materials Builders did not date every page of the electronic bid form printout (Article 15.03 of ITB). However, they did sign every page of

the printout. As per Article 19, omission of dates when signed is considered a bid informality but is not to be considered as grounds for rejection.

S&S Builders did not sign or date each page of the electronic bid form printout (Article 15.03 of ITB). As per Article 19, omission of dates when is considered a bid informality and is not to be considered as grounds for rejection. However, as per Article 19, unsigned bid proposals do qualify the bid for rejection. The final page of the bid form was signed by an authorized representative of the LLC.

S&S Builders also had an arithmetic error on their bid form. The total price for *Abandon Sewer Main* was shown to be \$1,088.25. The corrected value is \$1,887.50 based on the unit price and bid quantity. This error was carried into the total bid amount and has been corrected to the value shown above. As per Article 19.03, reconcilable arithmetic errors may be corrected if it does not change the unit price and is not reason for rejection of the bid.

All of the informalities found are reason to classify the Bids "informal", but are not grounds for rejection as per the guidelines in Article 19.03 of the Instructions to Bidders.

Powder River Construction has been contacted and is comfortable with their bid. They have worked on many projects for the City of Gillette and have performed quality work. We have maintained good working relationships with them in the past.

Based on the above evaluation, we recommend that the City of Gillette award the project to Powder River Construction at the bid amount of \$847,126.00.

If you have any questions or comments concerning this recommendation, please call me at 307-682-8936.

Respectfully,

HDR Engineering, Inc.

Heath Turbiville, P.E.

Project Manager

Enc: Bid Tabulation Sheet

Original Bids