

August 3, 2018

Bonnie Hochhalter Engineering 201 E. 5<sup>th</sup> St. Gillette, WY 82716

RE: Winland Industrial Park Water & Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation

Dear Bonnie,

The purpose of this letter is to provide the Engineer's Recommendation of Award to the City of Gillette for the Winland Industrial Park Water & Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation project. A bid opening for this project was conducted on Wednesday August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018 at COG's Purchasing office. The following is a brief summary of the post-bid activities.

**Review of Bids.** Below is a list of the received bids for this project.

- 1. Hot Iron ......\$916,345.22
- 2. DRM .....\$1,064,441.25

The low bidder was Hot Iron with a total bid of \$916,345.22.

We have tabulated all bids and formatted them in an Excel spreadsheet for price verification and comparison purposes and have attached a copy of that spreadsheet to this recommendation. Hot Iron's individual bid item prices appear to be in line with bid prices submitted by the other bidder. The unit prices and extensions submitted do not contain any numerical errors. The largest price discrepancies between the engineer's estimate and the low bid may be found in the Mobilization and Sanitary Sewer. The additional costs for the sewer may be a direct result of the expected ground water in the area.

Hot Iron's bid package included a completed and signed Bid Form acknowledging the receipt of Addendum #1 dated July 30<sup>th</sup>, 2018, and a Bid Security in the form of a 5% Bid Bond.

Hot Iron listed the following subcontractors for this project.

- Simon Asphalt
- G&G Landscaping
- Red Line Concrete

**Wyoming Residency.** Hot Iron is a certified Wyoming Contractor and included an up to date Certificate of Residency.

In summary, DOWL has performed our post-bid evaluation and it appears that we have a low responsible bidder. In talking with Brian Garland at Hot Iron, they are comfortable with their bid numbers. If additional funds can be secured, DOWL recommends awarding this project to Hot Iron.

Please call if you wish to discuss any aspects of this project, the bids, or the contractor. We look forward to continuing to work on this project with the City of Gillette and will strive to see that this is a successful project.

Sincerely,

Bernie Straetker, E.I. Project Engineer

Attachment(s): Bid Tabs