

March 27, 2019

Seth Morris City of Gillette 201 E 5<sup>th</sup> St Gillette, WY 82716

RE: Water Tank Rehabilitation (Z1-R2) Project No. 19EN12 MMI Project Number 4323.046

Mr. Morris:

Morrison-Maierle has reviewed the bid received at 2:30 p.m. on March 26, 2019 for the Water Tank Rehabilitation (Z1-R2) Project. The bid received is recommended for acceptance as a responsive bid.

The following Contractor submitted a bid:

Classic Protective Coatings, Inc.
Menomonie, WI

The bid received appears to meet all requirements. All forms were signed, sealed, used City of Gillette forms, and have bid bonds for the correct amounts. There were no mathematical errors in the bid. Classic Protective Coatings, Inc.'s bid is considered responsive and complete.

The following table summarizes the bid received, as well as the Engineer's Estimate.

| Bidder                            | Total Bid        |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|
| Classic Protective Coatings, Inc. | \$<br>889,750.00 |
| Engineer's Estimate               | \$<br>670,000.00 |

Classic Protective Coatings, Inc., did not provide a Wyoming Preference certificate. The 5% Wyoming Preference Act of 1971, W.S. 16-6-201 does not apply in the case of this bid as the only bidder did not provide a Wyoming Preference certificate.

The only total bid received was \$219,750 higher than the Engineer's Estimate. This is 32.8% higher than the Engineer's Estimate.

When comparing the bid received with the Engineer's Estimate, three (3) bid items stand out as significantly higher than what has been historically received.

- Exterior Paint Removal
- Tank Exterior Painting

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• Tank Interior Painting and Disinfection

Combined, these three (3) items are \$292,400.00 higher than the Engineer's Estimate. However, the cost listed in the bid tab for fabrication and installation of the new stairs, vents, handrails, and cage are significantly less than the Engineer's Estimate.

Several contractors more local to the region that were interested in the job during the bidding phase were contacted to question why they did not submit bids. They replied it was not due to any requirements of the job but simply their bonding was tied up with other work. Thus, a change in scope in the contract documents would likely not result in an increase of responsive bidders under the current bidding environment. The only method to generate more bids would likely be to change the timeline of the project by delaying the start.

Based on this bid, we recommend awarding the contract for Water Tank Rehabilitation (Z1-R2) Project to Classic Protective Coatings, Inc., in the amount of \$889,750.00, contingent upon City of Gillette funds.

We have also attached the official bid tabulation. Please review and let us know if you have any questions.

Sincerely, MORRISON-MAIERLE, INC.

Zane A. Green, ₱⁄.E. Project Engineer Encl (1): Bid Tabulation