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Subject: [EXTERNAL] FOIL Request: Contract No. WE-005 Phase 1 Water System Improvements Town of Hamburg, NY
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Dear Erie County Water Authority,

This is a request for public records made under FOIL and the common law right of access. Please confirm receipt of this message. Kindly send all responsive documents electronically — either by replying directly or emailing the address below. This unique address helps me organize my requests, so please use it exactly as shown:

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Records requested:

Please send the final and compiled bid tabulation (bid tally), including all quantities and unit pricing for each bidder, for '**Contract No. WE-005 Phase 1 Water System Improvements Town of Hamburg, NY**' that was submitted on **07/18/2023**. I believe the project number is '**202200055**', but I could be mistaken. If so, please use the project name and date to lookup the responsive documents. We specifically request the **line-item bid tabulation** showing each material, quantity, unit, and unit price for every bidder. If no such line-item tally was created, please provide the full bid submissions from each contractor. A **grand total sheet alone is not sufficient** to satisfy this request unless it was a lump sum bid.

Below is an example of the format we are looking for that the engineer usually creates at the completion of the bid:

				BIDDER 1		BIDDER 2	
Item #	Material	Quantity	Unit	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL
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	GRAND TOTAL		GRAND TOTAL				

Common law access / Public interest justification / Fee waivers:

My public interest justification is as follows:

- Bid tabulations obtained through this request are made publicly available at no cost. This ensures that taxpayers, businesses, journalists, and policymakers have free access to procurement data that impacts public funds.
- Transparency and accountability: Publicly available bid results help prevent overpricing, bid-rigging, and favoritism in public contracts.

- Support for small businesses: Many firms, especially small and minority-owned businesses, rely on bid history to compete fairly in government contracting.
- Cost savings for taxpayers: Open access to bid tabulations promotes competition, leading to more cost-effective government spending.

Attestations:

- I will not use responsive records for solicitation and/or fundraising purposes
- I am a citizen of the United States and affirm my full name and contact information is true and correct.
- I have not been convicted of any indictable offense under the laws of any state whatsoever nor the United States.
- I, or another person, will use the requested government records for a commercial purpose; however, the responsive records themselves will be posted online and made available to the public free of charge.
- I am not seeking records in connection with a legal proceeding.

Compliance Matters:

Should you need it, my mailing address is 66 Main St #55, Farmingdale, NJ 07727, and my phone number is (732) 444-7051. For any compliance matters or other questions *not related* to the responsive record, please email our general counsel at legal[at]govrecordrequest.com. Please do not send responsive records to that address.

Thank you!

Yours faithfully,
Mark Zurada Esq.