



ERIE COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY

INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

January 22, 2020

To: Terrence D. McCracken, Secretary to the Authority

From: Leonard F. Kowalski, Executive Engineer

Subject: Request for Proposals
Distribution Main Design Projects 2020-2021
(Contracts A, B, C, D, E, F, and G)
ECWA Project No. 202000002

The Erie County Water Authority (Authority) recently issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) to ten (10) consulting engineering firms for engineering services for design and construction phase services for several distribution main projects in various locations within the ECWA direct service area. These projects are separated into seven different contracts (contracts A, B, C, D, E, F, and G). Wendel did not send a proposal, however two additional firms submitted a proposal based on the information on the Authority's website (EI Team and Barton & Loguidice). Those submitting proposals are listed in alphabetical order below:

- Barton & Loguidice (submitted for A, B, C, D, E, F, G)
- CHA Consulting, Inc. (submitted for A, B, C, D, E, F, G)
- Clark Patterson Lee (submitted for A, B, C, D, F, G)
- DiDonato Assoc. Eng. and Architecture, PE, PC (submitted for A, B, C, D, E, F, G)
- EI Team (submitted for A, B, C, D, E, F, G)
- Erdman Anthony & Associates, Inc. (submitted for A, B, C, D, E, F, G)
- Fisher Associates (submitted for A, B, C, D, E, F, G)
- Greenman-Pedersen, Inc. (submitted for A, B, C, D, E, F, G)
- LaBella Associates (submitted for A, B, C, D, E, F, G)
- Nussbaumer & Clarke, Inc. (submitted for A, B, C, E)
- Wm. Schutt & Associates (submitted for A, B, C, D, E, F, G)

The proposals were reviewed and discussed among the engineering staff. Experience, staffing, scope, and project approach were considered. It was determined that each firm possessed relevant qualifications to perform the work proposed.

The Comprehensive Strategic Plan (CSP) was also taken into consideration during the selection process. The CSP establishes a 15 mile per year replacement goal for transmission and distribution mains. In order to achieve this goal, the Authority will have to establish relationships with additional consulting firms to ensure we can consistently design and construct projects in a timely manner.

Based on the review and evaluation of the proposals, projects were assigned based on the qualifications, experience and level of effort proposed by each firm:

Consultant	Contract	Description
Barton & Longuidice	A	Critical Infrastructure Improvements, Town of Clarence and Aurora.
Erdman Anthony& Associates, Inc.	B	Replacements of Undersized Distribution Mains, Town of West Seneca and Cheektowaga and Village of Depew.
Labella Associates	C	Town of Cheektowaga and Village of Lancaster Upgrades.
William Schutt & Associates	D	City of Lackawanna and Town of Hamburg Upgrades.
DiDonato Associates	E	Town of Amherst and Town of Cheektowaga Upgrades.
Clark Patterson Lee	F	French Road Upgrades, Town of Cheektowaga
Greenman-Pedersen, Inc.	G	George Urban Boulevard Upgrades, Town of Cheektowaga.

Each firm provided a thorough and detailed technical project understanding and approach for the various projects identified as A, B, C, D, E, F, and G. In addition, their proposed project level of effort is competitive and reasonable for the work being proposed. Several of the firms have a depth of knowledge and experience with Authority standards, design procedures, construction standards and procedures, and technical specifications, while two of the firms have not performed work for the Authority in the past, but have personnel experienced in distribution main design. Furthermore, they have experienced staff to provide the construction phase services and construction oversight required by the Authority. Our staff review also considered overall performance of professional services for these firms with recent experience with Authority projects.

I am requesting the Board's approval to negotiate with the above seven firms to develop contracts for the referenced projects.

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