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RE: RECOMMENDATION REGARDING AWARD OF CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT FOR THE LOWER RIO GRANDE PUBLIC WATER WORKS AUTHORITY (LRGPWWA) VALLE DEL RIO WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT PHASE II

Dear Ms. Nichols:

Bids were opened for the Lower Rio Grande Public Water Works Authority (PWWA) Valle Del Rio Water System Improvements Project Phase II on March 19, 2020 at 521 St. Valentine, La Mesa, NM 88044. Seven bids were received for the project, and all bid packages were determined to be complete at the time of bid opening. The apparent low bidder was *Smith & Aguirre Construction Co. Inc.* but *Smith & Aguirre* withdrew their bid. Following *Smith & Aguirre's* withdrawal, *Morrow Enterprises, Inc.* is the apparent low bidder. The total of the **Base Bids** ranged from one million, six hundred seventy-four thousand, five hundred twenty-three dollars and four cents (\$1,674,523.04) to one million, one hundred eleven thousand, four dollars and fifty cents (\$1,111,004.50). The total of the **Alternative Bids** ranged from six hundred eight thousand, seven hundred forty-four dollars and eighty cents (\$608,744.80) to sixty-two thousand, four hundred forty-eight dollars and eighty-two cents (\$62,448.82).

Based on a review of the base bid, the low bidder has been identified as responsive, thus Souder, Miller & Associates (SMA) recommends awarding the project to *Morrow Enterprises, Inc.*, with a **total recommended award amount** of one million, thirty-seven thousand, one hundred nineteen dollars and eight-seven cents (**\$1,037,119.87, not including NMGRT**).

Souder, Miller & Associates (SMA) investigated *Morrow Enterprises, Inc.'s* past experience. The references provided by *Morrow Enterprises, Inc.*, contacted by SMA, provided good feedback on their quality of work. Please refer to the References Contacts after the bid opening.

If the Lower Rio Grande PWWA agrees with SMA's recommendation to award the project, the Lower Rio Grande PWWA should "tentatively" award the construction contract to *Morrow Enterprises, Inc.* pending the funding agency's concurrence. Once authorization is received, the attached Agreement between Owner and Contractor and Notice of Award for *Morrow Enterprises, Inc.* needs to be signed. The contractor will then have 15 days to deliver insurance, performance and payment bonds. After the Lower Rio Grande PWWA receives all items from the Contractor, the Notice to Proceed can be signed by the Lower Rio Grande PWWA and sent to the Contractor.

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Please feel free to contact either of the undersigned if you have any questions or concerns related to this recommendation letter.

Sincerely,

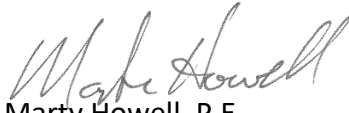
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*Enc: Bid Tabulation
References Contacted
Notice of Award
Agreement
Morrow Enterprises, Inc.'s Bid Package*

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Water System Improvements Project
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Item No.	Description	Unit	Est. Qty.	SMA		Smith & Aguirre Construction Co.		Morrow Enterprises, Inc.		J29 Enterprises, LLC.		Highland Enterprises, Inc.		File Construction		Smithco Construction, Inc.		General Hydronics Utilities, LLC.	
				Unit Cost	Total Cost	Unit Cost	Total Cost	Unit Cost	Total Cost	Unit Cost	Total Cost	Unit Cost	Total Cost	Unit Cost	Total Cost	Unit Cost	Total Cost	Unit Cost	Total Cost
1	Pre-construction and post-construction Video Documentation	LS	1	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,022.00	\$ 1,022.00	\$ 1,471.00	\$ 1,471.00	\$ 180.00	\$ 180.00	\$ 1,962.50	\$ 1,962.50	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
2	Mobilization and Demobilization	LS	1	\$ 10,700.00	\$ 10,700.00	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 30,653.00	\$ 30,653.00	\$ 23,870.00	\$ 23,870.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 146,170.80	\$ 146,170.80	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 66,100.00	\$ 66,100.00
3	Material Testing Allowance	Allow	1	\$ 10,500.00	\$ 10,500.00	\$ 10,500.00	\$ 10,500.00	\$ 10,500.00	\$ 10,500.00	\$ 10,500.00	\$ 10,500.00	\$ 10,500.00	\$ 10,500.00	\$ 10,500.00	\$ 10,500.00	\$ 10,500.00	\$ 10,500.00	\$ 10,500.00	\$ 10,500.00
4	Traffic Control	LS	1	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 1,100.00	\$ 1,100.00	\$ 29,877.00	\$ 29,877.00	\$ 11,663.00	\$ 11,663.00	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 7,698.93	\$ 7,698.93	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 12,400.00	\$ 12,400.00
5	Furnish and Install 6-inch C900 PVC Waterline (incl. all material, labor, excavation, backfill, fittings, tracer wire, warning tape and appurtenances not separately listed on the Bid Form), CIP	LF	7154	\$ 32.50	\$ 232,505.00	\$ 32.00	\$ 228,928.00	\$ 26.00	\$ 186,004.00	\$ 18.00	\$ 128,772.00	\$ 61.00	\$ 436,394.00	\$ 17.80	\$ 127,341.20	\$ 45.00	\$ 321,930.00	\$ 35.88	\$ 256,685.52
6	Furnish and Install 6-inch Gate Valve in Valve Box (incl. all material, labor and appurtenances not separately listed on the Bid Form), CIP	EA	33	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 82,500.00	\$ 1,865.00	\$ 61,545.00	\$ 1,678.00	\$ 55,374.00	\$ 1,562.00	\$ 51,546.00	\$ 2,820.00	\$ 93,060.00	\$ 1,265.70	\$ 41,768.10	\$ 1,800.00	\$ 59,400.00	\$ 1,478.45	\$ 48,788.85
7	Furnish and Install Three Way Fire Hydrant Assembly (incl. gate valve, tee on mainline, pipe, excavation, drain rock, backfill, collar, site restoration and appurtenances not separately listed on the Bid Form), CIP	EA	12	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 60,000.00	\$ 7,300.00	\$ 87,600.00	\$ 6,337.000	\$ 76,044.00	\$ 5,915.00	\$ 70,980.00	\$ 6,639.00	\$ 79,668.00	\$ 4,844.80	\$ 58,137.60	\$ 6,500.00	\$ 78,000.00	\$ 6,186.67	\$ 74,240.04
8	Remove and salvage to Owner existing 6-inch Fire Hydrant Assembly (incl. gate valve, excavation, backfill, site restoration and all related labor, material and appurtenances not separately listed on the Bid Form), CIP	EA	11	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 11,000.00	\$ 850.00	\$ 9,350.00	\$ 646.000	\$ 7,106.00	\$ 665.00	\$ 7,315.00	\$ 2,220.00	\$ 24,420.00	\$ 546.00	\$ 6,006.00	\$ 750.00	\$ 8,250.00	\$ 472.50	\$ 5,197.50
9	Furnish and Install new 3/4-in HDPE SDR-7 water service line by open trench (incl. potholing, trenching, waste excavation, backfill, connections to new water main, connection to existing water meter assembly, include all fittings, abandon existing water service line, service saddle, corporation stop, curb stop and appurtenances not separately listed on the Bid Form), CIP	EA	65	\$ 950.00	\$ 61,750.00	\$ 800.00	\$ 52,000.00	\$ 429.000	\$ 27,885.00	\$ 603.00	\$ 39,195.00	\$ 1,050.00	\$ 68,250.00	\$ 543.10	\$ 35,301.50	\$ 525.00	\$ 34,125.00	\$ 972.00	\$ 63,180.00
10	Furnish and Install new 3/4-in HDPE SDR-7 water service line by trenchless methods (incl. potholing, trenchless installation, connections to new water main, connection to existing water meter assembly, include all fittings, abandon existing water service line, service saddle, corporation stop, curb stop and appurtenances not separately listed on the Bid Form), CIP	EA	32	\$ 1,600.00	\$ 51,200.00	\$ 1,400.00	\$ 44,800.00	\$ 800.000	\$ 25,600.00	\$ 570.00	\$ 18,240.00	\$ 1,560.00	\$ 49,920.00	\$ 1,170.20	\$ 37,446.40	\$ 575.00	\$ 18,400.00	\$ 2,334.56	\$ 74,705.92
11	Remove and replace existing roadway asphalt with 3-inch HMA, 8-inch base course and 12-inch subgrade prep; to the extent shown on the plans (incl. removal and disposal to an approved site of the existing asphalt, tack coat, prime coat, all labor and materials needed and restoration of pavement markings to preconstruction configuration and appurtenances not separately listed on the Bid Form), CIP	SY	14839	\$ 47.50	\$ 704,852.50	\$ 33.00	\$ 489,687.00	\$ 32.71	\$ 485,383.69	\$ 37.50	\$ 556,462.50	\$ 42.76	\$ 634,515.64	\$ 39.60	\$ 587,624.40	\$ 20.50	\$ 304,199.50	\$ 39.32	\$ 583,469.48
12	Rehabilitation of Existing 40,000 Gallon Steel Water Storage Tank Interior (incl. resurfacing, coating, cleaning, disinfection, installation of new 36-inch manway, repair existing water level indicator, all labor, material, inspections as required to meet the project requirements and appurtenances not separately listed on the Bid Form), CIP	LS	1	\$ 80,000.00	\$ 80,000.00	\$ 115,000.00	\$ 115,000.00	\$ 86,651.00	\$ 86,651.00	\$ 108,287.00	\$ 108,287.00	\$ 105,150.00	\$ 105,150.00	\$ 97,061.90	\$ 97,061.90	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 91,901.25	\$ 91,901.25
13	Furnish and Install 6-inch Ductile Iron Waterline (incl. all material, labor, excavation, backfill, fittings, tracer wire, warning tape and appurtenances not separately listed on the Bid Form), CIP	LF	100	\$ 45.00	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 90.00	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 213.00	\$ 21,300.00	\$ 191.00	\$ 19,100.00	\$ 384.50	\$ 38,450.00	\$ 127.60	\$ 12,760.00	\$ 250.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 155.10	\$ 15,510.00
14	Furnish and Install Sample Station by open trench (incl. all material, labor, excavation, backfill, fittings, tracer wire, warning tape and appurtenances not separately listed on the Bid Form), CIP	EA	4	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 16,000.00	\$ 3,700.00	\$ 14,800.00	\$ 3,345.00	\$ 13,380.00	\$ 3,155.00	\$ 12,620.00	\$ 2,934.00	\$ 11,736.00	\$ 2,218.00	\$ 8,872.00	\$ 3,200.00	\$ 12,800.00	\$ 2,890.00	\$ 11,560.00
15	Furnish and Install Sample Station by trenchless methods (incl. all material, labor, excavation, backfill, fittings, tracer wire, warning tape and appurtenances not separately listed on the Bid Form), CIP	EA	1	\$ 4,650.00	\$ 4,650.00	\$ 4,900.00	\$ 4,900.00	\$ 3,701.00	\$ 3,701.00	\$ 3,162.00	\$ 3,162.00	\$ 2,929.00	\$ 2,929.00	\$ 2,497.40	\$ 2,497.40	\$ 3,800.00	\$ 3,800.00	\$ 4,105.00	\$ 4,105.00
16	Furnish and Install Flush Hydrant Assembly (incl. gate valve, tee on mainline, pipe, excavation, drain rock, backfill, collar, site restoration and appurtenances not separately listed on the Bid Form), CIP	EA	7	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 21,000.00	\$ 5,700.00	\$ 39,900.00	\$ 5,802.00	\$ 40,614.00	\$ 4,678.00	\$ 32,746.00	\$ 5,741.00	\$ 40,187.00	\$ 3,508.80	\$ 24,561.60	\$ 4,800.00	\$ 33,600.00	\$ 4,822.86	\$ 33,760.02
17	Furnish & Install 1" Air Release Valve (incl. labor, furnish and install valve, saddle and appurtenances not separately listed on the Bid Form), CIP	EA	5	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 4,300.00	\$ 21,500.00	\$ 3,833.00	\$ 19,165.00	\$ 6,685.00	\$ 33,425.00	\$ 8,432.68	\$ 42,163.40	\$ 3,962.20	\$ 19,811.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 3,986.50	\$ 19,932.50
Total Base Bid:				\$	1,402,357.50	\$	1,291,810.00	\$	1,120,259.69	\$	1,129,354.50	\$	1,674,523.04	\$	1,225,521.33	\$	1,111,004.50	\$	1,374,036.08
Written Total:				\$	238,967.50	\$	1,291,810.00	\$	1,120,259.00	\$	1,129,354.50	\$	167,452.60	\$	1,217,822.40	\$	1,111,004.50	\$	1,374,036.08
Total Base Bid (Minus Bid Item 11):				\$	697,505.00	\$	802,123.00	\$	634,876.00	\$	572,892.00	\$	1,040,007.40	\$	637,896.93	\$	806,805.00	\$	790,566.60


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ADDITIVE ALTERNATIVE NO. 1																			
Item No.	Description	Unit	Est. Qty.	Unit Price	Total Price	Unit Price	Total Price	Unit Price	Total Price	Unit Price	Total Price	Unit Price	Total Price	Unit Price	Total Price	Unit Price	Total Price	Unit Price	Total Price
1.1	Remove and replace existing roadway asphalt with 2-inch HMAC, subgrade prep; to the extent shown on the plans (incl. mil the existing asphalt, tack coat, prime coat, all labor and materials needed and restoration of pavement markings to preconstruction configuration and appurtenances not separately listed on the Bid Form), CIP	SY	26239	\$ 38.00	\$ 997,082.00	\$ 6.00	\$ 157,434.00	\$ 15.33	\$ 402,243.87	\$ 17.95	\$ 470,990.05	\$ 2.38	\$ 62,448.82	\$ 23.20	\$ 608,744.80	\$ 20.50	\$ 537,899.50	22.99	\$ 603,234.61
Total of Additive Alternative No. 1:				\$	997,082.00	\$	157,434.00	\$	402,243.87	\$	470,990.05	\$	62,448.82	\$	608,744.80	\$	537,899.50	\$	603,234.61
Written Total:				\$	997,082.00	\$	157,434.00	\$	402,243.87	\$	470,990.05	\$	62,400.00	\$	608,744.80	\$	537,899.50	\$	603,234.61
BID ITEM 11 VS ADDITIVE ALTERNATIVE NO.1																			
Description				Total Price	Total Price	Total Price	Total Price	Total Price	Total Price	Total Price	Total Price	Total Price	Total Price	Total Price	Total Price	Total Price	Total Price	Total Price	Total Price
Total Base Bid:				\$	1,402,357.50	\$	1,291,810.00	\$	1,120,259.69	\$	1,129,354.50	\$	1,674,523.04	\$	1,225,521.33	\$	1,111,004.50	\$	1,374,036.08
Total Base Bid (Minus Bid Item 11) and Additive Alternative:				\$	1,694,587.00	\$	959,557.00	\$	1,037,119.87	\$	1,043,882.05	\$	1,102,456.22	\$	1,246,641.73	\$	1,344,704.50	\$	1,393,801.21

*Cells with red text indicate that a correction has been made in accordance with Article 14.01.C of the Instructions to Bidders (C-200)

CERTIFICATION:

I certify that the above figures are the evaluated bid prices from those submitted in the Bid Form.


Marty Howell, P.E.
Souder, Miller & Associates

March 24, 2020
Date