

October 6, 2010

John Bertrand
Project Engineer
City of Lawrence – Utilities Department
PO Box 708
Lawrence, KS 66044

Re: Indiana Street Waterline Crossing 6th Street
Review of Bids and Construction Contract Award Recommendation
10-1185L

Dear John:

The bid letting for the Indiana Street Waterline Crossing 6th Street project was conducted September 28, 2010. Four (4) bids were received, opened and read aloud to the public. The bids ranged from a low of \$62,096.00 to a high of \$80,891.00. The engineer's estimate was \$62,966.00. NJ Trenching, Inc. of Bucyrus, KS submitted the low bid. Bid tabs from the letting are attached to this letter.

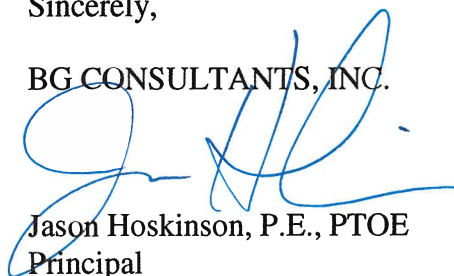
NJ Trenching, Inc., submitted several items for us to review including past experience of their workforce and references for past projects they have constructed. I have attached a letter that NJ Trenching, Inc. submitted to us that provides further clarification about their company and the superintendent that will be assigned to this project.

Based upon the review of their references and the items mentioned above, we believe they have the experience and qualifications to construct the Indiana Street Waterline Crossing 6th Street project. Their bid appears to be balanced and responsible.

We recommend awarding the construction contract to NJ Trenching, Inc. in the base bid amount of \$62,096.00 and authorizing construction. If you have any questions, please call.

Sincerely,

BG CONSULTANTS, INC.



Jason Hoskinson, P.E., PTOE
Principal

Attachments



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Dear Jason,

Sheryl Clanton bought out her father, Gene McCorkendale several years ago and is the president and CEO of McCorkendale Construction. NJ Trenching was formed by Brett Clanton, Sheryl's husband about 10 years ago. However, there has not been a need to use the NJ Trenching name or the company on many jobs up to this time. Brett continues to be the Field Ops Manager at McCorkendale Construction. NJ Trenching is a sister company to McCorkendale Construction, has the same work force, same equipment, same address, and same phone number. McCorkendale Construction is now a certified DBE/WBE company so we use the NJ Trenching name to bid as the prime contractor on projects that have WBE goals because the prime contractor does not count towards those goals and we can get our participation by using McCorkendale as a sub for portions of the work. The superintendent, George Wells, that will be running the bore crew in Lawrence has extensive experience with McCorkendale Construction with the equipment that he will be using on the bore in Lawrence. George has been employed doing bores full time with McCorkendale since 1998 and has many more years of bore experience prior to that. He has done numerous difficult bores on KDOT and MoDot projects. The NJ Trenching name is fairly new to people in this area that watch construction news, but in reality, the company has the same experience and success record that McCorkendale has. We are more than qualified to accomplish the bore in Lawrence and look forward to proving that.

Sincerely,

Bill Rexroat
Sr. Estimator/Project Mgr.
NJ Trenching, Inc.

Indiana Street Waterline Crossing 6th Street
Bid Tabulations - Total Price
Prepared by BG Consultants, Inc.
City of Lawrence Project #UT1002DS
September 28, 2010

Item #	Description	Quantity	Unit	Engineer's Estimate		N.J. Trenching, Inc.		Linaweaver Construction, Inc.		Nowak Construction Co., Inc.		Heartland Midwest, LLC	
				Unit Price	Total Price	Unit Price	Total Price	Unit Price	Total Price	Unit Price	Total Price	Unit Price	Total Price
1.	Mobilization	1	L.S.	\$7,500.00	\$7,500.00	\$3,700.00	\$3,700.00	\$3,500.00	\$3,500.00	\$7,500.00	\$7,500.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
2.	Contractor Construction Staking	1	L.S.	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$1,825.00	\$1,825.00	\$800.00	\$800.00	\$975.00	\$975.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
3.	Traffic Control	1	L.S.	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,350.00	\$5,350.00	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00	\$13,325.00	\$13,325.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
4.	Stormwater Pollution Prevention	1	L.S.	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$2,275.00	\$2,275.00	\$1.00	\$1.00
5.	12" Restrained Joint DIP Waterline (In Place)	108	L.F.	\$135.00	\$14,580.00	\$67.00	\$7,236.00	\$88.00	\$9,504.00	\$91.00	\$9,828.00	\$100.00	\$10,800.00
6.	20" Steel Casing (Auger Bored)	100	L.F.	\$285.00	\$28,500.00	\$290.00	\$29,000.00	\$315.00	\$31,500.00	\$257.00	\$25,700.00	\$300.00	\$30,000.00
7.	Connect to Existing Waterline	1	Each	\$2,750.00	\$2,750.00	\$1,365.00	\$1,365.00	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00	\$1,800.00	\$1,800.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
8.	NOT USED	0.0	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
9.	Remove and Replace with Flowable Fill	60.6	S.Y.	\$60.00	\$3,636.00	\$200.00	\$12,120.00	\$170.00	\$10,302.00	\$154.00	\$9,332.40	\$150.00	\$9,090.00
Construction Total =				\$62,966.00		\$62,096.00		\$64,106.00		\$70,735.40		\$80,891.00	