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May 8, 2017

Kurt Tribbett
City of Battle Creek
Department of Public Works Engineering
150 South Kendall Street
Battle Creek, MI 49037

Re: WWTP Secondary Treatment System Upgrades
Invitation for Bid No 017-049B
Letter of Recommendation to Award

Dear Kurt:

Pursuant to the Official Notice to Bidders, sealed bids for the above referenced project were received at the office of the Purchasing Department on May 1, 2017 at 2:00 pm and publicly opened and read aloud. We have reviewed all the Bids received for the Work and have enclosed a copy of the Bid Tabulation for your information.

Three sealed bids were received. The low bid was submitted by L.D. Docsa Associates, Inc. of Kalamazoo, MI, in the amount of \$9,480,325.00. The second low bid was submitted by Davis Construction of Kentwood, MI, in the amount of \$11,379,277.00. Our opinion of probable construction cost for the Project was \$10,854,545.00.

The low bidder, L.D. Docsa Associates, notified the City of Battle Creek on May 1, 2017, via email, of an error in their bid and requested the bid be withdrawn. The email included information demonstrating the error in accordance with Section 16.03 of the Instruction to Bidders. The City of Battle Creek approved the withdraw and returned the Bid Bond on May 2, 2017.

The Bid Form included four alternatives as defined in Section 01230. The City has elected to proceed with Alternates 1, 2, and 3. Alternate 4 will not be accepted. This selection has been indicated on the project agreement that should be provided to the Contractor for execution with the notice of award. A copy of the Notice of Award from the Contract Documents is enclosed for your use.

It is our opinion that Davis Construction submitted a responsive bid and is qualified and capable of performing the Work as specified. It is therefore recommended that the Contract be awarded to Davis Construction, in the amount of \$11,379,277.00.

We respectfully present these recommendations for City review and consideration.

We will be pleased to answer any questions concerning the recommendations set forth herein.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Kendra Sveum". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Kendra" and last name "Sveum" clearly distinguishable.

Kendra Sveum, PE
Project Engineer

Enclosures: As noted

Copy: Michael Harvey, Carl Fedders