ERIE COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY



INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

March 18, 2019

To: Terrence D. McCracken, Secretary to the Authority

From: Leonard F. Kowalski, Senior Distribution Engineer

Subject: Contract CPL-004

Water System Improvements

Town of Calrence Project No. 201800079

Attached is the Recommendation to Award for the above referenced project.

The following documents are attached:

- 1. ECWA Authorization Form, indicating the action that is being requested of the Board, and it providing a list of approvals that are required prior to being acted on by the Board.
- 2. ECWA Recommendation for Award of Contract, signed by ECWA Affirmative Action Officer and Coordinator of Employee Relations.
- 3. The Consultant's Recommendation letter that is provided by the Engineering Consulting firm stating that they reviewed the bid package, vetted the contractors and are recommending that the contract is awarded to the lowest responsible bidder.
- 4. The Bid Tab lists the Engineer's Estimate and the unit prices bid by each contractor and it provides a mathematical check of the bid amounts submitted by each contractor.

The consultant, Clark Patterson Lee, performed the mathematical check of the bids and a bid tabulation is included with the Recommendation of Award package. The lowest mathematical bidder was declared non-responsive and the Authority's Legal Department sent them a letter dated March 5, 2019 explaining why they were declared non-responsive.

Due to the non-responsive bidder, New Frontier Excavating and Paving, Inc. (New Frontier) is now the lowest responsive bidder. Their bid amount is \$1,617,400.00 and they provided acceptable documentation for MWBE requirements, apprenticeship policy requirements, and insurance requirements. This contractor has performed other work for the Authority in the past in a competent manner.

Based on the information that was provided above, it is my recommendation to Russ Stoll, Executive Engineer that the CPL-004 project be awarded New Frontier Excavating and Paving, Inc. in the amount of \$1,617,400.00, subject to legal review.

LFK:jmf Attachments cc: R.Stoll

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