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September 26, 2013

City of Euless
201 North Ector Drive
Euless, Texas 76039

Attention: Mr. Allen J. Harts, P.E.
Senior Civil Engineer

Re: Sanitary Sewer Collection System Rehabilitation
FY 2013~City of Euless Bid No. 008-13

Dear Mr. Harts:

Our firm completed the civil engineering design and construction plans and prepared contract documents for the above captioned improvements. An official "Advertisement for Bid Notice" was published by the City of Euless Purchasing Department. The plans and documents were available for review in our offices, the City of Euless Engineering Department, and in area plan rooms. Sets of documents for bid purposes were available from the Director of Purchasing. Sealed bids for the construction were received and publicly opened and read aloud at 2:15 PM, September 25, 2013. A copy of the Bid Summary Sheet is attached to this correspondence for your review.

Only two (2) bids were received, the low bid being submitted by Circle "C" Construction of Fort Worth, and the second bid, only 2.4% above the first, was submitted by EXCEL 4 Construction, also of Fort Worth. Both firms are well known to the undersigned and the City of Euless staff. Either of them have the necessary experience and equipment to perform the required construction.

In keeping with procurement regulations, we recommend that a construction contract be awarded to Circle "C" in the amount of their low bid of $509,590.50, with a completion time of 120 calendar days as specified in the bid documents. As a matter of information, the Engineer's estimate for the project was $597,540.00 as revised in August, 2013.

Circle "C" Construction (William J. Schultz, Inc. dba Circle "C" Construction) has been involved in rehabilitation of sanitary sewer facilities utilizing trenchless technology as well as open trench methods for a number of years. They have been in the underground utility construction business since 1974. Their projects range in cost from $250,000 to $7,500,000; with their average annual volume ranging from $14 to $18 million dollars. They currently operate two (2) trenchless technology (pipe bursting) crews in addition to their other operations.

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While the majority of their work has been in the City of Fort Worth, they have recently completed projects in Euless which include water and sanitary sewer line relocations on Ash Lane, emergency water line repair on Glade Road, the reclaimed water delivery system to the Texas Star Golf Course, and the FY 2010 and FY 2012 sanitary sewer rehabilitation projects. Staff members at the City have had no problems with the contractor on any of the projects they have worked on. We have found them to be very professional in the performance of their work and welcome them on any project for which we have provided engineering services.

Representatives of Circle "C" advised us that they have reviewed the unit prices of their bid as well as those of the second bidder and they are comfortable with their bid prices as submitted.

Surety bonds (performance, payment, and maintenance bonds) are underwritten by Merchants Bonding Company of Des Moines, Iowa. The local agent is John Miller and Associates of Fort Worth. According to the Surety's agent, no claims have been made to the Surety under any of the bonds written to Circle "C".

The project is located in four (4) geographic areas of the City as indicated on the enclosed area location map. It generally includes replacement by up-sizing deteriorated 6-inch vitrified clay tile and/or concrete pipe with 8-inch polyvinyl chloride (PVC) pipe and/or high density polyethylene pipe by traditional open-trench, and pipe bursting (trenchless technology) methods. Reconnection of individual sewer services, replacement of manholes, and other incidental construction items required for a complete project are included.

We trust the foregoing will be beneficial to you as you prepare your final recommendations on this project. We appreciate very much the opportunity to be of service to you and the City of Euless and respectfully invite you to contact us should you have questions or if we may provide additional information.

Very truly yours,
ELLIOTT & HUGHES, INC.

David C. Hughes, Jr., P.E.
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