

November 5, 2013

Mr. John Shutak
Lawrence Utilities Department
P.O. Box 708
Lawrence, Kansas 66044-0708

RE: Recommendation for Award
Waterline Relocation Program
23rd Street Waterline Relocation, Iowa Street to Ousdahl Road
City Project No. UT 1309DS. PEC Project No. 12A04-005-3975

Dear John:

I have attached the October 29, 2013, bid tabulation of the five bids received for the above-referenced project for your records. All bids were checked for accuracy, completeness and other applicable requirements and found to be satisfactory. Bids received were as follows:


Banks Construction, LLC	\$191,800.50
Westland Construction, Inc.	\$206,583.00
Schuetz Construction, LLC	\$224,903.20
Nowak Construction Co. Inc.	\$349,972.60
S.J. Louis Construction, Inc.	\$685,900.00

The Engineer's Estimate was \$339,039.00.

As we were unfamiliar with Banks Construction, LLC, we checked their references on previous projects. Although they are a small contractor, they have installed waterlines by HDD of similar diameter at lengths equal to or greater than that represented by the 23rd Street Waterline Replacement project. The general consensus of the Engineers, City representatives and contract administrators that we contacted was positive with respect to the capability of Banks Construction to perform this project. While the 23rd Street project will entail considerably more traffic control than Banks Construction has been exposed to in the past, they plan to subcontract traffic control to C-Hawkk.

Based on the above information, PEC recommends that the City of Lawrence award the construction contract for the 23rd Street Waterline Replacement – Iowa Street to Ousdahl Road to Banks Construction, LLC, of Holton, Kansas in the amount of their bid of \$191,800.50.

Very truly yours,
Professional Engineering Consultants, P. A.



Rodney J. Hofer, P.E.
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