



PLUMMER

0982-005-02

September 21, 2020

Mr. Juan Martinez
Engineering Associate
City of Round Rock
3400 Sunrise Road
Round Rock, TX 78665

Re: City of Round Rock
Communications and Water Treatment Plant Control Improvements
Recommendation of Award

Dear Mr. Martinez

On Thursday, September 10, 2020, five (5) bids from general contractors were received, opened and publicly read aloud at the City of Round Rock Utilities and Environmental Services Building Hall for the above-referenced project. The bids were as follows:

| Contractor | Total Base Bid |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| Soap Engineering, LCC | \$1,323,025.00 |
| Control Panels USA, Inc. | \$2,495,359.00 |
| Prime Controls, L.P. | \$2,967,859.00 |
| Commerce Controls, Inc. | \$2,981,172.00 |
| Walker Engineering, Inc. | \$4,899,000.00 |

Soap Engineering, LCC. (Soap) was the apparent low bidder with a Total Base Bid of \$1,323,025.00. The Engineer's final opinion of probable construction cost for this project was \$2,400,000.00.

Soap was the only bidder that was not pre-qualified. Discussions were held with Soap about their bid and qualifications. Upon review of their bid they did find errors in their bid for approximately \$400,000. Soap had further discussions with their bonding company and were informed due to wide differences bids, they would not be able to obtain bonding. Based upon not being able to obtain bonding, they have requested their bid to be withdrawn.

Control Panels USA, Inc. was the next apparent low bidder with a Total Base Bid of \$2,495,359.00. We have reviewed their bid and it appears to be in order.

Control Panels USA, Inc, is located within ten (10) miles of the WTP and has successfully completed several projects for the City, as well as Plummer Associates, Inc.

A phone call with Philadelphia Indemnity Insurance Company confirmed Control Panels USA, Inc. is in good standing on current projects and the Bid Bond has an "A+" rating of performance.

Therefore, as described in the Bid Form, contract award of Base Bid in the amount of \$2,495,359.00 shall be awarded to Control Panels USA, Inc.

Please call me if you have any questions. We look forward to working with you during construction of this project.

Sincerely,

ALAN PLUMMER ASSOCIATES, INC.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Patrick Moseley', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Patrick Moseley, PE