

October 9, 2018

Karen Bondy, General Manager
Brushy Creek Regional Utility Authority (BCRUA)
221 E. Main St.
Round Rock, TX 78664

Re: BCRUA Phase 1C Raw Water Intake Barge (RWIB) Expansion
Project No.: 03-00619

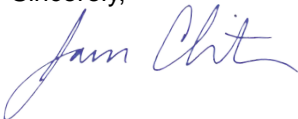
Dear Ms. Bondy:

On September 19, 2018, Walker Partners assisted the BCRUA in opening competitive sealed proposals for the above referenced project. Two responsive, competitive sealed proposals were submitted by Archer Western Construction, LLC (Archer Western) of Irving, TX and Excel Construction Services, LLC (Excel) of Leander, TX. Neither proposal included any deviations from the contract documents. The proposals were evaluated and ranked based on the following selection criteria: 30% for Contractor Relevant Experience and References, 60% for Cost Proposal and 10% for Proposed Schedule. Based on evaluation of the proposals, Excel is the highest ranked proposer offering the best value, as determined by the selection criteria and ranking assessment.

Evaluation of Excel's proposal included a review of their technical qualifications and experience, including major subcontractors. A background check was performed via telephone poll of owners and engineering firms for similar projects Excel has completed over the past several years. The overall impression from this investigation and review is that Excel provides quality work in a timely and professional manner. Also, our Walker Partners team has recently completed successful projects with Excel, including the BCRUA Phase 1A RWIB and at the City of Cedar Park Water Treatment Plant.

Based on the information presented and evaluation of the proposals, Walker Partners recommends that the BCRUA award a contract to Excel in the amount of **\$4,531,300.00** for the Phase 1C RWIB Expansion. We will prepare the Notice of Intent to Award Letter and other contract documents for transmittal to Excel, pending final acceptance and direction from the BCRUA.

Sincerely,



Jason Christensen, P.E.
Project Manager

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