MANATEE COUNTY GOVERNMENT INTENT TO AWARD

SOLICITATION NO./TITLE	RFQ No. 20-TA003439CD- Construction Phase Geotechnical Engineering Services	DATE POSTED	MC DS	CC BIDSYNC
PROCUREMENT REPRESENTATIVE	Chris Daley	PROJECTED AWARD DATE	November 13, 2020	
DEPARTMENT/DIVISION	Public Works/ Project Management Division	AUTHORIZED BY DATE	Chris Daley, Procurement Project Manager	

NOTICE OF INTENT TO AWARD

The Manatee County Procurement Division provides notice of its intent to award a contract with Ardaman & Associates, Inc. for the provision of Construction Phase Geotechnical Engineering Services.

ENABLING/REGULATING AUTHORITY

Manatee County Procurement Ordinance, Sec 2-26.

BACKGROUND/EVALUATION

The County requested proposals from qualified firms for the provision of construction phase geotechnical engineering and materials testing services for the SEWRF Storage Lakes and Pump Back Station project and the SWWRF Equalization System and Cover Addition with Bleach Tank Roof Over projects. The Consultant will provide all labor, materials, equipment, supplies and travel to perform the construction phase geotechnical engineering services to include field sampling and testing, laboratory testing, and engineering services as required for each project.

The solicitation was advertised on the Manatee County website, and Bid Sync. It was also provided to the Manatee County Chamber of Commerce, the Manasota Black Chamber of Commerce, Gulf Coast Builders Exchange, and Gulf Coast Latin Chamber of Commerce for release to its members. Responses were received from the following firms:

- 1. Ardaman & Associates, Inc., Orlando, FL
- 3. ECS Florida, LLC, Jacksonville, FL
- 5. Universal Engineering, Inc., Sarasota, FL
- 7. Tierra South Florida, Inc., Tampa, FL

- 2. AREHNA Engineering, Inc., Tampa, FL
- 4. Terracon Consultants, Inc., Tampa, FL
- 6. Tierra, Inc., Tampa, FL
- 8. Nova Engineering and Environmental, Inc., Tampa, FL

EVALUATION COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Chris Daley- Procurement Project Manager, Procurement Jim Renneberg Project Engineer II, Public Works Division, non-voting

Anthony Benitez Project Engineer II, Public Works

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Chris Collins Utilities WW Plant Superintendent, Utilities

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EVALUATION SUMMARY:

The Evaluation Committee first convened on October 13, 2020 and conducted technical evaluations of the responsible, responsive, proposals received. On October 13, 2020, the committee chair sent follow up questions to Ardaman & Associates, Inc., Terracon Consultants, Inc., and Universal Engineering, Inc. for the purposes of holding discussions with the short-listed firms. The Evaluation Committee met on October 15, 2020 for discussion of the follow up questions, final technical evaluations, and ranking of the firms as follows:

1. Ardaman & Associates, Inc.

7. Nova Engineering and Environmental

2. Terracon Consultants, Inc.

5. AREHNA Engineering, Inc. 8. ECS Florida, LLC

3. Universal Engineering, Inc.

6. Tierra South Florida, Inc.

RECOMMENDATION

The Evaluation Committee unanimously recommends award to the following firm(s):

Ardaman & Associates, Inc.

ATTACHMENTS (List in order of attached)	None	NAME AND NUMBER OF FUNDING SOURCE	Utility Rates in Projects 6088380, 6071781, and 60982850
COST	\$129,076.50	FUNDS VERIFIED	Yes