

**FAYETTEVILLE PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION
ACTION REQUEST FORM**

TO: Timothy Bryant, CEO/General Manager

DATE: March 5, 2024

FROM: Candice S. Kirtz, Director of Supply Chain

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ACTION REQUESTED: Approve base bid award for Re-Advertisement for the Procurement and Construction of Gillespie B1.9 Solar PV Utility Station (PWC2324021-REBID). This project requires the contractor to procure, install, interconnect to PWC’s distribution grid, test, and commission a utility scale turn-key 1.9 MW (AC) solar photovoltaic generating station to be located at 3858 Gillespie Street, Fayetteville, North Carolina. The construction contract will have a contract term of three hundred sixty-five (365) calendar days from the Notice to Proceed date.

BID/PROJECT NAME: Re-Advertisement for the Procurement and Construction of Gillespie B1.9 Solar PV Utility Station

BID DATE: January 16, 2024

DEPARTMENT: Electric Engineering

BUDGET INFORMATION: This project will be bond funded using the following account string 103.0000.0435.2309730-02.341000.CPR1000519.

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BIDDERS

BASE BID

Oral's Construction Company Incorporated, Maxton, NC
Bowlin Group, LLC, Walton, KY

\$3,439,364.87
\$8,877,939.00

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AWARD RECOMMENDED TO: Oral's Construction Company Incorporated, Maxton, NC

BASIS OF AWARD: Lowest responsive, responsible bidder

COMMENTS: The Commission is asked to approve a construction award the Procurement and Construction of Gillespie B1.9 Solar PV Utility Station. Notice of the bid was advertised through PWC’s normal channels on September 29, 2023, with an initial bid opening date of October 31, 2023. The solicitation was readvertised on November 22, 2023, due to the minimum number of bids received being below the General Statute requirement. The readvertisement bid opening date was set to Tuesday, January 16, 2024. Bids were solicited from six (6) bidders. PWC received two (2) bids for this project. The two (2) bids received were then evaluated by the Electric Engineering and Procurement departments. The lowest responsive, responsible bidder was Oral’s Construction Company, Incorporated, Maxton, NC. Therefore, PWC recommends awarding this project to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder, Oral’s Construction Company, Incorporated, Maxton, NC.

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ACTION BY COMMISSION

APPROVED _____ **REJECTED** _____

DATE _____

ACTION BY COUNCIL

APPROVED _____ REJECTED _____
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BID HISTORY

Re-Advertisement-Procurement and Construction of Gillespie B1.9 Solar PV Utility Station

BID DATE: January 16, 2024, at 2:00 pm

Advertisement

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| 1. | PWC Website | 11/22/2024 through 1/16/2024 |
| 2. | NC EVP Website | 11/22/2023 through 1/16/2024 |

List of Prospective Bidders Notified of Bid

1. Ensolace Power, LLC, Fayetteville, NC
2. Cinterra dba Directional Services, Inc., Hope Mills, NC
3. River City Construction, Inc., Washington, NC
4. Carolina Power & Signalization, LLC, Fayetteville, NC
5. Axis Energy, Holly Springs, NC
6. Green State Power, Greensboro, NC

**PWC Procurement Mailing List- Registered vendors via the PWC website and BBR registrants.
(approximately 2000+ contacts)**

Small Business Administration Programs:

Small Business Administration Regional Office (SBA)
NC Procurement & Technical Assistance Center (NCPTAC)
Veterans Business Outreach Center (VBOC)
Small Business Technology Center (SBTDC)
Women's Business Center of Fayetteville (WBC)

Local Business and Community Programs

FSU Construction Resource Office (FSUCRO)
FSU Economic Development Administration Program (FSUEDA)
FSU Career Pathways Initiative
NAACP, Fayetteville Branch
FTCC Small Business Center (SBC)
Greater Fayetteville Chamber, RFP posting submitted
Hope Mills Chamber
Spring Lake Chamber
Hoke Chamber
Fayetteville Business & Professional League (FBPL)

State Business and Community Programs

NC Institute of Minority Economic Development (The Institute) Durham, NC
NAACP, State Branch Raleigh, NC
National Utility Contracting Association- NC Chapter (NUCA)
Durham Chapter of the National Association of Women in Construction (NAWIC)
South Atlantic Region of National Association of Women in Construction (NAWIC)
The Hispanic Contractors Association of the Carolinas (HCAC)
United Minority Contractors of North Carolina
International Women in Transportation- Triangle Chapter

Media

Fayetteville Observer

WIDU, AM1600

IBronco Radio at FSU

Fayetteville Press News

Up & Coming Weekly

Bladen Journal

Greater Fayetteville Business Journal

MWDBE / Local Participation

Oral's Construction Company, Inc., Maxton, NC is a MWDBE business. They anticipate \$239,688.00 in MWDBE spend for electrical and site prep needs. They also anticipate \$285,221.00 in SLS spend and \$43,914.00 with other local vendors for various construction needs.