



GENERAL ENGINEERING CONTRACTORS



November 13, 2015

Department of Transportation
Mulissa Smith
PO Box 168041
Sacramento, CA 95816

RE: Reconsider determination of nonresponsive bid - # 04-1J3204

Dear Mulissa,

We are in receipt of your letter dated today regarding our bid for project 04-1J3204. We made a mistake on page one of our DBE commitment form, and we did not realize our mistake until your letter addressed it.

On our DBE commitment form, we incorrectly listed Nitta Erosion Control as performing bid items 15, and 50-58. Bid items 50 - 58 will not be performed by Nitta, rather, they will be performed by Neary Landscaping. Nitta Erosion Control will be performing the items listed on Nitta's DBE commitment form included in our DBE submittal. Please note that these are the same items they are listed to perform on our electronic bid form, namely items 15, and 50-65, for a DBE value of \$15,008.10.

The subcontractor listing on our electronic bid documents correctly states each subcontractor's bid items, and our Nitta DBE commitment form page(s) 2 correctly state each subcontractor's agreement with us to perform the bid items listed on the subcontractor listing.

Based on the above minor irregularity, we ask that you please reconsider your decision and allow this contract to be awarded to Valentine Corporation as the lowest responsive bidder.

Please let us know your decision, and thank you for your time and efforts.

Sincerely

Robert O Valentine
Valentine Corporation

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November 25, 2015

Department of Transportation
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Attn: Mulissa Smith, Contract Awards Manager

RE: # 04-1J3204 – Request to Extend Our Bid

Dear Mulissa,

We are in receipt of your letter dated 11/13/15 regarding Valentine's bid for project 04-1J3204, wherein CalTrans finds our apparent low bid to be non-responsive. Please be advised that Valentine Corporation does not agree with CalTrans's decision and herein request that CalTrans re-consider their determination for reasons previously established in Valentine's 11/13/15 letter of response to CalTrans (attached).

In accordance with Section 3-1.04 of the Revised 2010 Standard Specifications, Valentine herein requests to extend our bid while the non-responsive finding is resolved. We feel strongly that the DBE Commitment form listing discrepancy is a minor irregularity that does not materially affect our bid, our subcontractor listing as submitted, or give Valentine an unfair advantage. Based on this, we request your findings be reconsidered. If necessary, we herein request a hearing with CalTrans to discuss that matter in person.

Please advise at your soonest convenience.

Sincerely,

Robert O. Valentine Jr., P.E.
President

ATTACH:

(1) Valentine 11/13/15 Letter of response

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