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September 8, 2015

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07-293804
07-LA-110-8.6/14.0
B.O. 07/28/2015

Dear Mr. Mendoza:

The Department of Transportation (Caltrans) received a letter dated August 5, 2015, from High-Light Electric, Inc. (High-Light), protesting bid documents submitted by both Steiny and Company, Inc. (Steiny) and Crosstown Electrical & Data, Inc. (Crosstown) for Contract 07-293804 on July 28, 2015. The protest alleges that Steiny listed on its Subcontractor List form, Crosstown to perform 20% of Bid Item 3 (Traffic Control System), but described the work as Modify Communication Systems (Fiber Optic). High-Light argues that this description is improperly classified and furthermore, Crosstown does not possess the required license to perform this work. High-Light further alleges that Steiny failed to list the correct license for EBS General Engineering (EBS).

The protest also alleges that Crosstown listed on its Subcontractor List form incorrect license numbers for Coral Construction (Coral) and EBS. In addition, Crosstown also listed on its Subcontractor List form Coral (100%) and Statewide Traffic Safety (Statewide) (100%) for Bid Item 19 (Remove Sign Panel); and also listed Chrisp Construction (Chrisp) (100%) and Coral (10%) for Bid Item 66 (Mobilization) which exceeds 100% of the bid item. High-Light requests that Caltrans find both Steiny and Crosstown nonresponsive and award the contract to High-Light.

Caltrans has reviewed the bid documents submitted by both Steiny and Crosstown and has determined the following;

As the protest relates to Steiny, Caltrans has already determined in a letter dated August 11, 2015, that the bid submitted by Steiny is nonresponsive.

As the protest relates to Crosstown listing on its Subcontractor List form incorrect license numbers for Coral and EBS, Caltrans acknowledges that the license numbers were incorrectly listed but the licenses were current at time of bid. Caltrans has determined that this error is immaterial as it does not materially change the bid, and can therefore be waived by Caltrans.

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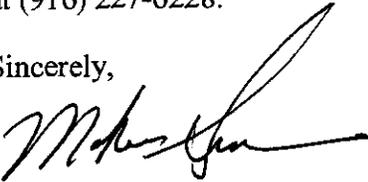
As the protest relates to Crosstown listing Coral (100%) and Statewide (100%) for Bid Item 19; and also listing Chrisp (100%) and Coral (10%) for Bid Item 66, Caltrans notified Crosstown in a letter dated August 12, 2015, that if they were awarded the project they would be responsible to perform both Bid Items 19 and 66 with its own forces.

As the protest relates to Caltrans finding Steiny and Crosstown nonresponsive and awarding the contract to High-Light, Caltrans determined in a letter dated August 14, 2015, that the bid submitted by High-Light is nonresponsive and therefore is not eligible to receive award of this contract.

Based on the above, Caltrans finds High-Light's protest does not have merit and will proceed to award the contract to the lowest responsible bidder provided all requirements are met.

If you have any questions, please contact Mulissa Smith, Contract Awards Branch Manager, at (916) 227-6228.

Sincerely,



for JOHN C. McMILLAN
Deputy Division Chief
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