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07-4T6104
07-LA-101-16.7
B.O. 03/24/15

Dear Mr. Darwiche:

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The Revised Standard Specifications, Section 2-1.34, BIDDER'S SECURITY, states in part:

*Submit your bid with of the following forms of bidder's security equal to at least 10 percent...Bidder's bond signed by a surety insurer who is licensed in California.
If using a bidder's bond, you may use the form in the Bid book. If you do not use the form in the Bid book, use a form containing the same information.*

The Bidder's Bond submitted by Smart Tech was not signed by an agent for Smart Tech nor was the signature by the Surety Company properly acknowledged by a notary. In addition, the acknowledgment submitted with the bid bond did not match the signature for the representative of the Surety Company. The representative of the Surety Company as listed on the bond form was Patricia Zenizo however; the person whose signature was acknowledged by a notary was Elisabete Salazar. Therefore, the Bidder's Bond submitted by Smart Tech was not a valid bid bond. Because valid Bidder's Security is a material requirement of the bid, the bid is therefore nonresponsive.

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

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