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11-407004
11-SD-8-R61.2/R77.8
B.O 12/8/2014

Dear Mr. Donnelly,

The Department of Transportation (Caltrans) received letters dated January 8, and January 28, 2015, from Granite Construction, Inc. (Granite) protesting the bid submitted by Coffman Specialties, Inc. (Coffman) on the above reference contract. The protest alleges that on bid day, Coffman identified J. Francis to perform work described as Bridge Deck Repair. On its second submittal, Coffman listed the following items as part of that scope of work.

16	Rapid Setting Concrete (patch)
21	Remove Unsound Concrete
22	Prepare Concrete Bridge Deck Surface
23	Treat Bridge Deck
24	Furnish Bridge Deck Treatment Material
44	Joint Seal (MR 1/2')
45	Joint Seal (MR 1')

Granite asserts that the Joint Seal items are not associated with the bridge deck repair and treatment. In addition, further asserts that Coffman claimed towards its Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) participation, the work to be performed by J. Francis. Since the Joint Seal work was improperly added, Coffman did not meet the stated DBE goal of 6 percent and did not submit any of its Good Faith Effort documentation.

The contract plans show that the joint seal repair work is associated with the joint spall repair work on the project, thus is associated with the description of the portion of work, "Bridge Deck Repair, treatment."

As this protest relates to Coffman not meeting the DBE contract goal, the Office of Business and Economic Opportunity, Contract Evaluation Branch (CEB), evaluated the DBE commitment documents provided by Coffman and certified Coffman as having achieved the 6 percent goal for this contract.

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Based on the above findings, the protest from Granite has no merit and Caltrans will proceed to award this contract to the lowest responsive bidder.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact April Perez-Hollins at (916) 227-6285.

Sincerely,



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