



8/31/2015

Engineering Department
 State of California
 Department of Transportation
 1727 30th Street, Bidders' Exchange, MS 26,
 Sacramento, CA 958161635 Faraday Ave

**Re: 11-410604 INSTALL CURB RAMPS & SIDEWALKS. INSTALL & MODIFY SIGNAL,
 LIGHTING.**

Dear Mr. McMillan;

We are in receipt of your letter deeming PAL Engineering as a non-responsive bidder on Project No. 11-410604, under the fact that PAL failed to list a DBE business on certain line items, in fact PAL did comply with that, for somehow it seems the software didn't print that section, if we to go back and examine the bid documents one more time you will find that listing sub numbers jump from list #2 to list #5 (See Att 1), leaving listing No.3 and No.4 out, which we listed our DBE business under, attached in the second attachment you will find the whole bid file that we submitted at the bid date for your review, PAL did everything that were direct by the department of transportation, the way we see it this might be a computer or software error.

Based on the rejection letter we believe that the first low bidder should be deemed as a non-responsive, since he failed to list Cecelia's as a subcontractor at the bid time, instead they voluntary added them to the DBE form which I believe this was referenced by public work code as a violation therefore their bid should be deemed as non-responsive.

We left a message trying to explain the situation to Mulissa and better understand the rejection bases also discuss the software issue to make sure that won't get repeated again in the future, but it seems she is on vacation since the beginning of august, we would appreciate it if we could talk to someone to avoid such issue from happening again

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Maria Jahshan', written over a white background.

Maria Jahshan
 PAL General Engineering, Inc.
 President
 858-638-7100

Attachement #1

STATE OF CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
 Contract No.: 11-410604 Project ID: 1112000106
 Bidder Name: PAL General Engineering Inc
 DES-OB-0102.2B(REV 5/2014)

Bidder ID: VCI200006128

Bidding Firm: PAL General Engineering Inc

List this sub? Yes

- 1) Business Name ACE FENCING
 Location City LA PUENTE State CA
 California Contractor License Number 996577
 CA Department of Industrial Relations' Registration Number 1000004092
 Portion of Work Subcontracted:

Item #	Description
54 100	BARRIER POST
55 100	PEDESTRIAN BARRICADE (MODIFIED)

List this sub? Yes

- 2) Business Name Maneri Traffic Control
 Location City Temecula State CA
 California Contractor License Number 892008
 CA Department of Industrial Relations' Registration Number 1000011349
 Portion of Work Subcontracted:

Item #	Description
2 100	CONSTRUCTION AREA SIGNS
4 100	PORTABLE CHANGEABLE MESSAGE SIGN (BA)
6 100	ALTERNATIVE TEMPORARY CRASH CUSHION SYSTEM
17 100	REMOVE ROADSIDE SIGN
23 100	RESET ROADSIDE SIGN

List this sub? Yes

- 5) Business Name Payco Specialties
 Location City Chula Vista State CA
 California Contractor License Number 298637
 CA Department of Industrial Relations' Registration Number 1000003515
 Portion of Work Subcontracted:

Item #	Description
58 100	PAINTE PAVEMENT MARKING (2-COAT)
59 100	PAVEMENT MARKER (RETROREFLECTIVE)
76 17	MOBILIZATION
1 100	LEAD COMPLIANCE PLAN
57 100	PAINTE PAVEMENT MARKING (2-COAT)



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 - Bid Item List
 - Section 1
 - Bid to the Department of Transpo.
 - SubContractor List
 - Additional SubContractor List 1
 - Additional SubContractor List 2
 - Additional SubContractor List 3
 - Opt out of payment adjustments f.
 - Small Business Status
 - Disclosure of Lobbying Activities (
 - Certifications
 - Bid Bond Data

California Contractor License Number 892008
 California Department of Industrial Relations' Registration No. 1000011949

Portion of Work Subcontracted:

Item	Q	Description
2	100	CONSTRUCTION AREA SIGNS
4	100	PORTABLE CHANGEABLE MESSAGE SIGN (BA)
6	100	ALTERNATIVE TEMPORARY CRASH CUSHION SYSTEM
17	100	REMOVE ROADSIDE SIGN
23	100	RESET ROADSIDE SIGN

List this subcontractor? Yes No

3) Business Name Maneri Traffic Control
 Location City Tamucula State CA
 California Contractor License Number 892008
 California Department of Industrial Relations' Registration No. 1000011949

Portion of Work Subcontracted:

Item	Q	Description
24	100	RELOCATE ROADSIDE SIGN
41	100	FURNISH SINGLE SHEET ALUMINUM SIGN (0.063"-UNFRAMED)
42	100	FURNISH SINGLE SHEET ALUMINUM SIGN (0.080"-UNFRAMED)
43	100	ROADSIDE SIGN - ONE POST
44	100	INSTALL SIGN (STRAP AND SADDLE BRACKET METHOD)

List this subcontractor? Yes No

4) Business Name Maneri Traffic Control
 Location City Tamucula State CA
 California Contractor License Number 892008
 California Department of Industrial Relations' Registration No. 1000011949

Portion of Work Subcontracted:

Item	Q	Description
45	100	INSTALL ROADSIDE SIGN PANEL ON EXISTING POST
46	100	RETROREFLECTIVE SHEETING (TYPE XI)
3	90	PORTION OF TRAFFIC CONTROL SYSTEM

List this subcontractor? Yes No

6) Business Name Payco Specialties

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San Diego, CA 92121

11-410604
11-Imp,SD-5,54,75,78,115,163-Var
B.O. 08/13/2015

Dear Ms. Jahshan:

The Department of Transportation (Caltrans) received a bid submitted by PAL General Engineering, Inc. (PAL) for Contract No. 11-410604 on August 13, 2015. By this letter, Caltrans notifies PAL that its bid is nonresponsive because of an inconsistency found in both the Subcontractor List and the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Commitment form.

The DBE Commitment form states in part, "*...names of the First Tier DBE Subcontractors and items of work must be consistent with the Subcontractor List.*"

On the Subcontractor List form PAL identified Maneri Traffic Control (Maneri) as performing Bid Items 2, 4, 6, 17 and 23. However, on the DBE Commitment form, PAL identified Maneri as performing Bid Items 2, 3, 4, 6, 17, 23, 24, and 41-43. The addition of Bid Items 3, 24, and 41-43, changes the description of work to be performed by the subcontractor and constitutes a change that is not consistent with the Subcontractor List form and is in violation of the subcontractor listing laws as well as the Subcontractor List and DBE Commitment form instructions.

Based on the above, Caltrans will proceed to award the contract to the lowest responsible bidder.

Your attention is directed to Section 3-1.04 of the Amendments to the 2010 Standard Specifications. Caltrans is not obligated to offer an extension of the award period for a nonresponsive bid. Should you wish to extend your bid while resolving a nonresponsive finding, you must send your request to the Office Engineer no later than 4:00 p.m., two business days prior to the expiration of your bid.

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

Sincerely,

for JOHN C. McMILLAN
Deputy Division Chief
Office Engineer
Division of Engineering Services

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