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November 20, 2014

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06-432604
 06-Fre-33-10.9/11.1
 B.O. 11/6/14

Dear Mr. Souza:

The Department of Transportation (Caltrans) received a bid submitted by Souza Construction, Inc. (Souza) for Contract No. 06-432604 on November 6, 2014. By this letter, Caltrans notifies Souza that its bid is nonresponsive because of an inconsistency found in 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 their respective item(s) of work listed above must be consistent, where applicable, with the names and items of work on the Subcontractor List form submitted with your bid."

On the Subcontractor List form Souza identified Safeguard Fence (Safeguard) as only performing the following Bid Items;

23	Treated Wood Waste
24	Remove Fence (Type BM)
25	Remove Fence (Type WM)
27	Remove Guardrail
65	Fence (Type BW, Metal Post)
68	Midwest Guardrail system (Steel Post)
70	Transition Railing (Type WB-31)
71	Alternative Flared Terminal System
77	Mobilization

However, on the DBE Commitment form, Souza included Bid Item 26, Remove Sheet Pile Wall. The addition of this item enlarges the scope of work to be performed by the subcontractor and constitutes a change 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.

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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,



JOHN C. McMILLAN
Deputy Division Chief
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