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Protest Decision

Matter of: Watertight Systems, Inc.
File No.: 2025-018
Posting Date: April 15, 2025
Contracting Entity: Department of Natural Resources
Project No.: P24-6007-PG
Description: Greenville – Poinsett Bridge Renovation

DIGEST

Protest of Intent to Award denied where all prequalified contractors had an appropriate contractor's license for bidding the work of the Project as a sole prime contractor, and protestant failed to otherwise allege any violation of the qualification process.

AUTHORITY

Per S.C. Code Ann. § 11-35-4210, the Chief Procurement Officer for Construction (CPOC) conducted an administrative review of a protest filed by Watertight Systems, Inc. (Watertight) protesting the Department of Natural Resources' (the Department) failure to include Watertight in the list of contractors prequalified to bid on a project to a stone pedestrian bridge (the Project). Watertight's protest is attached as Exhibit A. This decision is based on materials in the procurement file and applicable law and precedents.

BACKGROUND

- On January 8, 2025, the Department issued a request for statements of qualifications for the Project. [Exhibit B] On January 22, 2025, the Department issued a revised request

modifying the due date for interested contractors to submit their statement of qualifications. [Id.]

- By the deadline for receipt of statements of qualifications, the Department received seven responses. [Exhibit C]
- After evaluation of responses, the Department's evaluation committee ranked the contractors from most qualified to least qualified based on the evaluation criteria set for in the request for qualifications documentation. [Exhibit D]
- On March 13, 2025, the Department posted a notice of selection of the four highest ranked contractors to bid on the project. [Exhibit E]
- On March 20, 2025, Watertight protested the Department's Decision.

DISCUSSION

For this Project, the Department sought to prequalify bidders per Section 11-35-3023 of the Procurement Code. Section 11-35-3023 states:

Prequalification on state construction.

In accordance with this section, the applicable section of Article 5, and procedures published by the State Engineer, a governmental body may limit participation in a solicitation for construction to only those businesses, including potential subcontractors, that are prequalified. The prequalification process may be used only with the approval and supervision of the State Engineer's Office. If fewer than two businesses are prequalified, the prequalification process must be canceled.

The project-delivery method for the project is design-bid-build using the competitive-sealed bidding source-selection method for selection of the construction contractor. S.C. Code Ann. § 11-35-3015(2)(b). Therefore, the section of Article 5 applicable to the prequalification of bidders is Section 11-35-1520. Section 11-35-1520(11)(b) states:

After receipt of the responses to the request for qualifications from prospective bidders, the **rank** of the prospective bidders must be determined in writing **from most qualified to least qualified** on the basis of the information provided. **Bids then must be solicited from at least the top two prospective bidders** by means

of an invitation for bids. **The determination regarding how many bids to solicit is not subject to review under Article 17.**

[emphasis supplied]

The Departments ranking of bidders from most qualified to least qualified is “final and conclusive, unless clearly erroneous, arbitrary, capricious, or contrary to law.” S.C. Code Ann. §11-35-2410(A).

Watertight’s protest only raises one issue in their protest that challenges the qualifications of the four highest ranked potential bidders: contractor licensure. Watertight alleges that a General Contractors-Highway license with a Bridges (BR) subclassification is the only license appropriate for the Project. Watertight is mistaken. The scope of the BR license is set forth in Section 40-11-410(2)(a), which states:

"Bridges" which include bridge construction and repairs, railroad trestles and overpasses, and work under the subclassifications of Boring and Tunneling, Concrete, Marine, and Railroad Lines. Bridges are defined as structures over a depression or an obstruction such as water, highway, or railway, having a track or passageway designed for **carrying vehicular traffic weighing over two thousand pounds.**

The Project is for a bridge that is only accessible by pedestrians. Therefore, the BR subclassification is not required.

The rest of Watertight extols its experience and qualifications. Nothing in the protest asserts that the four highest ranked offerors are less qualified than Watertight with the one exception of Watertight’s claim that a contractor’s license with a BR subclassification is required. Moreover, Watertight does not present any evidence that the Department’s ranking decision was “clearly erroneous, arbitrary, capricious, or contrary to law.” Watertight provides nothing more than its opinion that it should have been ranked higher. As the protestant, Watertight bears the burden of proving its case upon the preponderance of the evidence. This it has failed to do.


It appears that Watertight misconstrues the prequalification process. Watertight states:

We do not see any reason why our company is not qualified to bid & perform the work on this project.

The Department's decision was that Watertight was not among the four most highly qualified prospective bidders, not that they were not qualified. The law does not require the Department to select all qualified prospective bidders to bid. The law allows the Department to select a grouping of the most highly qualified to bid so long as they select at a minimum the two most highly qualified. S.C. Code Ann. §11-35-1520(11)(b). In this case, the Department selected the four most highly qualified. The Department's decision to limit bidding to only the four most qualified is not protestable. Id.

DECISION

For the forgoing reasons, the CPOC denies Watertight's protest.



John St. C. White, PE
Chief Procurement Officer for Construction

Columbia, South Carolina

STATEMENT OF RIGHT TO FURTHER ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW

Protest Appeal Notice (Revised July 2024)

The South Carolina Procurement Code, in Section 11-35-4210, subsection 6, states:

(6) Finality of Decision. A decision pursuant to subsection (4) is final and conclusive, unless fraudulent or unless a person adversely affected by the decision requests a further administrative review by the Procurement Review Panel pursuant to Section 11-35-4410(1) within ten days of posting of the decision in accordance with subsection (5). The request for review must be directed to the appropriate chief procurement officer, who shall forward the request to the panel or to the Procurement Review Panel, and must be in writing, setting forth the reasons for disagreement with the decision of the appropriate chief procurement officer. The person also may request a hearing before the Procurement Review Panel. The appropriate chief procurement officer and an affected governmental body shall have the opportunity to participate fully in a later review or appeal, administrative or judicial.

Copies of the Panel's decisions and other additional information regarding the protest process is available on the internet at the following web site: <http://procurement.sc.gov>

FILING FEE: Pursuant to Proviso 111.1 of the 2024 General Appropriations Act, "[r]equests for administrative review before the South Carolina Procurement Review Panel shall be accompanied by a filing fee of two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250.00), payable to the SC Procurement Review Panel. The panel is authorized to charge the party requesting an administrative review under the South Carolina Code Sections 11-35-4210(6), 11-35-4220(5), 11-35-4230(6) and/or 11-35-4410...Withdrawal of an appeal will result in the filing fee being forfeited to the panel. If a party desiring to file an appeal is unable to pay the filing fee because of financial hardship, the party shall submit a completed Request for Filing Fee Waiver form at the same time the request for review is filed. *[The Request for Filing Fee Waiver form is attached to this Decision.]* If the filing fee is not waived, the party must pay the filing fee within fifteen days of the date of receipt of the order denying waiver of the filing fee. Requests for administrative review will not be accepted unless accompanied by the filing fee or a completed Request for Filing Fee Waiver form at the time of filing." PLEASE MAKE YOUR CHECK PAYABLE TO THE "SC PROCUREMENT REVIEW PANEL."

LEGAL REPRESENTATION: In order to prosecute an appeal before the Panel, business entities organized and registered as corporations, limited liability companies, and limited partnerships must be represented by a lawyer. Failure to obtain counsel will result in dismissal of your appeal. *Protest of Lighting Services*, Case No. 2002-10 (Proc. Rev. Panel Nov. 6, 2002) and *Protest of The Kardon Corporation*, Case No. 2002-13 (Proc. Rev. Panel Jan. 31, 2003); and *Protest of PC&C CSGs, LLC*, Case No. 2012-1 (Proc. Rev. Panel April 2, 2012). However, individuals and those operating as an individual doing business under a trade name may proceed without counsel, if desired.

**South Carolina Procurement Review Panel
Request for Filing Fee Waiver
1205 Pendleton Street, Suite 367, Columbia, SC 29201**

Name of Requestor

Address

City

State

Zip

Business Phone

-
1. What is your/your company's monthly income? _____
 2. What are your/your company's monthly expenses? _____
 3. List any other circumstances which you think affect your/your company's ability to pay the filing fee:

To the best of my knowledge, the information above is true and accurate. I have made no attempt to misrepresent my/my company's financial condition. I hereby request that the filing fee for requesting administrative review be waived.

Sworn to before me this
_____ day of _____, 20_____

Notary Public of South Carolina

Requestor/Appellant

My Commission expires: _____

For official use only: _____ Fee Waived _____ Waiver Denied

Chairman or Vice Chairman, SC Procurement Review Panel

This _____ day of _____, 20_____
Columbia, South Carolina

NOTE: If your filing fee request is denied, you will be expected to pay the filing fee within fifteen (15) days of the date of receipt of the order denying the waiver.



March 20, 2025

Chief Procurement Officer for Construction
Office of State Engineer
1201 Main St , Ste 600
Columbia , SC 29201

protest-ose@mmo.sc.gov

RE: SE-170
Greenville -Poinsett Bridge Renovations
P24-6007-PG

To whom it may concern:

Watertight Systems would like to protest the decision not to include our company in the list of pre-qualified contractors. We do not see any reason why our company is not qualified to bid & perform the work on this project.

We base this on the following reasons:

- We possess a Bridge classification on our GC license, which we believe would be needed for this project per the SCLLR Bridge licensing requirements.
- As listed in our package we submitted several completed historic projects which included Incarnation Church with stone replacement & restoration. We are currently working on the Historic Anderson County Courthouse that has stone work.
- We are certified with Edison Coatings & US Heritage for historic lime mortars

Watertight Systems is a sound company with good financial standing that has been in business since 1996. We have successfully completed over 6,000 projects during this time and have an excellent reputation for delivering quality work on time and within budget. We can also provide reference letters from at least three professional state engineers that we have worked directly with on historic restoration projects if needed. One of these references is Jimmy Chao, PE, which is the engineer of record on this job. We have worked with Mr. Chao on numerous projects throughout our 29 years.

We respectfully request a review of this decision and look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Randall M West". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Randall M West
President
Watertight Systems Inc
License # CLG95766

CC: Jeff Boyer
BoyerJ@dnr.sc.gov

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South Carolina Business Opportunities

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Ad Category: Construction

Ad Start Date: January 8, 2025

Agency/Owner: Department of Natural Resources

Project Name: PREQUALIFICATION for Greenville-Poinsett Bridge Restoration

Project Number: P24-6007-PG

Construction Cost Range: \$500,000 to \$600,000

Project Location: Poinsett Bridge Heritage Preserve

Description of Project/Services:

Poinsett Bridge was built in 1820 and listed in the National Register of Historic Places. Restoration involves repointing all mortar joints with historic mortar to match. Roadbed to be removed and replaced with waterproof membrane and engineered fill. Contractor / Subcontractor shall have proven experience with similar field quarried stone structures and rehabilitation projects. Field quarried stone experience is preferred.

Bid/Submittal Due Date & Time: February 4, 2025 - 2:00pm

Number of Bid/Submittal Copies: Printed: 5, Electronic: 1

Project Delivery Method: Design-Bid-Build

Agency Project Coordinator: Jeff Boyer

Email: boyerj@dnr.sc.gov

Telephone: (803) 360-0042

Documents May Be Obtained From: boyerj@dnr.sc.gov

Project Details: <https://scbo.sc.gov/files/scbo/SE-110%20P24-6007-PG.pdf>

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INVITATION FOR CONSTRUCTION PREQUALIFICATION

AGENCY: DNR - Department of Natural Resources

PROJECT NAME: PREQUALIFICATION for Greenville-Poinsett Bridge Restoration

PROJECT NUMBER: P24-6007-PG CONSTRUCTION COST RANGE: \$500,000 to \$600,000

PROJECT LOCATION: Poinsett Bridge Heritage Preserve

DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT/SERVICES: *(450 character limit)*

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SUBMITTAL DUE DATE: 02/04/2025 TIME: 02:00 PM NO. OF COPIES: Printed: 5 Electronic: 1

PROJECT DELIVERY METHOD: Design-Bid-Build **PREQUALIFICATION**

AGENCY PROJECT COORDINATOR: Jeff Boyer

EMAIL: boyerj@dnr.sc.gov TELEPHONE: (803) 360-0042

DOCUMENTS OBTAINED FROM: Jeff Boyer

- To be considered for Prequalification, a Contractor will be required to contact the Agency Project Coordinator and obtain a Contractor's Statement of Qualifications & Questionnaire. The Contractor will review the Criteria listed in the form and verify if can meet or exceed the Criteria. The Contractor will complete the form, provide any additional documentation required by the Criteria, and submit it to the Agency at the address noted below by the submittal due date and time noted above.
- **PUBLIC NOTICES:** All notices (Meetings; Prequalification) shall be posted at the following location:
Rembert Dennis Building , 1000 Assembly Street, Room 252, Columbia, SC 29201
- **LICENSURE:** To be considered for selection, persons or firms must be properly licensed in accordance with the requirements of Title 40 of the SC Code of Laws, as amended at the time of qualification submission.
- To submit confidential information, see Appendix I, OSE Manual, <https://procurement.sc.gov/manual>.
- In accordance with the South Carolina Green Purchasing Initiative, it is preferred submittals not exceed 20 double-sided pages.
- All written communication with parties submitting information will be via email.
- Agency will accept submittals via email above (PDF file no larger than 10MB): ☒ Yes ☐ No
- Any actual bidder, offeror, contractor or subcontractor who is aggrieved in connection with this solicitation or the intended award or award of a contract under this solicitation may protest to the State Engineer in accordance with SC Code § 11-35-4210 at: CPO, Office of State Engineer, 1201 Main Street, Suite 600, Columbia, SC 29201 email: protest-ose@mmo.sc.gov.

A/E NAME: Chao & Associates, Inc.

A/E CONTACT: David Chao, PE

EMAIL: davidc@chaoinc.com

TELEPHONE: (803) 772-8420

NON-MANDATORY PRE-SUBMITTAL CONFERENCE:

☒ Yes ☐ No

CONFERENCE DATE: 01/23/2025

TIME: 10:30 AM

CONFERENCE PLACE: Poinsett Bridge Heritage Preserve

SUBMITTAL DELIVERY ADDRESSES:

HAND-DELIVERY:

Attn: Karen Jones

1000 Assembly Street, Room 252

Columbia, SC 29201

MAIL SERVICE:

Attn: Karen Jones

1000 Assembly Street, Room 252

Columbia, SC 29201

APPROVED BY:



(OSE PROJECT MANAGER)

DATE: 01/08/2025

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Ad Category: Construction

Ad Start Date: January 22, 2025

Agency/Owner: Department of Natural Resources

Project Name: PREQUALIFICATION for Greenville-Poinsett Bridge Restoration

Project Number: P24-6007-PG

Construction Cost Range: \$500,000 to \$600,000

Project Location: Poinsett Bridge Heritage Preserve

Description of Project/Services:

REVISED PRESUBMITTAL CONFERENCE: Poinsett Bridge built in 1820 and listed in the National Register of Historic Places. Restoration involves repointing all mortar joints with historic mortar to match. Roadbed to be removed & replaced with waterproof membrane & engineered fill. Contractor/Subcontractor shall have proven experience with similar field quarried stone structures and rehabilitation projects. Field quarried stone experience is preferred.

Bid/Submittal Due Date & Time: February 6, 2025 - 2:00pm

Number of Bid/Submittal Copies: Printed: 5 Electronic: 1

Project Delivery Method: Design-Bid-Build

Agency Project Coordinator: Jeff Boyer

Email: boyerj@dnr.sc.gov

Telephone: (803) 360-0042

Documents May Be Obtained From: Jeff Boyer

Project Details: https://scbo.sc.gov/files/scbo/SE-110_0.pdf

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PROJECT NUMBER: P24-6007-PG CONSTRUCTION COST RANGE: \$500,000 to \$600,000

PROJECT LOCATION: Poinsett Bridge Heritage Preserve

DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT/SERVICES: (450 character limit)

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SUBMITTAL DUE DATE: 02/06/2025 TIME: 02:00 PM NO. OF COPIES: Printed: 5 Electronic: 1

PROJECT DELIVERY METHOD: Design-Bid-Build **PREQUALIFICATION**

AGENCY PROJECT COORDINATOR: Jeff Boyer

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TELEPHONE: (803) 772-8420

NON-MANDATORY PRE-SUBMITTAL CONFERENCE:

☒ Yes ☐ No

CONFERENCE DATE: 01/28/2025

TIME: 10:30 AM

CONFERENCE PLACE: Poinsett Bridge Heritage Preserve

SUBMITTAL DELIVERY ADDRESSES:

HAND-DELIVERY:

Attn: Karen Jones

1000 Assembly Street, Room 252

Columbia, SC 29201

MAIL SERVICE:

Attn: Karen Jones

1000 Assembly Street, Room 252

Columbia, SC 29201

APPROVED BY:



(OSE PROJECT MANAGER)

DATE: 01/22/2025

Exhibit C

Submittals Due Date: February 6, 2025[illegible]

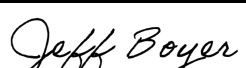
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CONSTRUCTION PREQUALIFICATION SELECTION COMMITTEE SUMMARY

AGENCY: South Carolina Department of Natural Resources
PROJECT NAME: Greenville - Poinsett Bridge Repair
PROJECT NUMBER: P24-6007-PG

| CONTRACTORS SUBMITTING QUALIFICATIONS | |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| A. Huss Inc | F. Strickland Waterproofing, Inc. |
| B. Watertight Systems, Inc. | G. Stone Restoration |
| C. Southern Renovations | H. |
| D. Pride Masonry | I. |
| E. Midwest Maintenance, Inc. | J. |

| COMMITTEE MEMBERS <i>(Insert Names)</i> | | RANKING OF CONTRACTORS | | | | | | | | | |
|---|-------------------|------------------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|---|---|---|
| | | A | B | C | D | E | F | G | H | I | J |
| 1. | Andy Wicker, PE | 1 | 5 | 4 | 7 | 2 | 6 | 3 | | | |
| 2. | Brian Long | 2 | 5 | 1 | 7 | 3 | 6 | 4 | | | |
| 3. | Austin Williams | 1 | 5 | 2 | 7 | 4 | 6 | 3 | | | |
| 4. | Johnavon Williams | 1 | 5 | 3 | 6 | 4 | 7 | 2 | | | |
| 5. | Jeff Boyer | 1 | 5 | 3 | 7 | 4 | 6 | 2 | | | |
| TOTAL | | 6 | 25 | 13 | 34 | 17 | 33 | 14 | | | |
| RANKING BY COMMITTEE <i>(1,2,3...) (considering Raw Score, if needed)</i> | | 1 | 5 | 2 | 7 | 4 | 6 | 3 | | | |

| | |
|---|------------------------|
| SELECTION COMMITTEE CHAIR CERTIFICATION: The Agency Selection Committee (Committee) has reviewed the qualifications submitted by the above contractors in response to the <i>Invitation for Construction Prequalification</i> and ranked all contractors in accordance with the requirements of Title 11, Chapter 35, Article 7 of the South Carolina Code of Laws. The Committee evaluated and ranked all contractors based on only the criteria set forth in Chapter 3 of the OSE Manual. | |
| COMMITTEE CHAIR NAME: Jeff Boyer | DATE: 3/19/2025 |
| COMMITTEE CHAIR TITLE: Engineer III | |
| COMMITTEE CHAIR SIGNATURE:  | |

SE-115**CONSTRUCTION PREQUALIFICATION SELECTION COMMITTEE MEMBER
CONTRACTOR EVALUATION****AGENCY:** South Carolina Department of Natural Resources**PROJECT NAME:** Greenville- Poinsett Bridge Repair**PROJECT NUMBER:** P24-6007-PG

| CONTRACTORS SUBMITTING QUALIFICATIONS | |
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| EVALUATION CRITERIA | | Ranking Range | CONTRACTORS | | | | | | | | | |
|--|---|--------------------------|--------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| | | | A | B | C | D | E | F | G | H | I | J |
| a) | Past Performance/Recent Construction Projects Completed | 1-25 | 23 | 20 | 22 | 19 | 21 | 18 | 23 | | | |
| b) | Ability of Proposed Project Personnel | 1-20 | 20 | 17 | 19 | 15 | 18 | 15 | 19 | | | |
| c) | Financial Information Regarding the Ability to Provide Required Bonding and Insurance | 1-5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | | | |
| d) | Location of Proposed Office in Relation to the Project Area | 1-5 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 5 | 3 | 4 | 4 | | | |
| e) | General Project Experience | 1-10 | 10 | 8 | 10 | 7 | 9 | 8 | 10 | | | |
| f) | Experience with State Contracts Awarded | 1-5 | 5 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 3 | | | |
| g) | Other Criteria Included in the Solicitation: | | | | | | | | | | | |
| TOTAL POINTS <i>(Use whole numbers only and break all ties before ranking)</i> | | | 65 | 56 | 63 | 54 | 59 | 52 | 64 | | | |
| RANKING OF CONTRACTORS <i>(1,2,3...) (Transfer to SE-117)</i> | | | 1 | 5 | 3 | 6 | 4 | 7 | 2 | | | |

EVALUATOR CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that all the contractors listed were evaluated and ranked by me based on the Evaluation Criteria shown above and no other criteria was used.

| | | |
|------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| EVALUATOR NAME: | Johnavon Williams | DATE: 03/12/2025 |
| SIGNATURE: | <i>Johnavon Williams</i> | |

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|---|---|------------------|-------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|---|---|---|
| | | | A | B | C | D | E | F | G | H | I | J |
| a) | Past Performance/Recent Construction Projects Completed | 1-25 | 25 | 18 | 21 | 15 | 20 | 16 | 18 | | | |
| b) | Ability of Proposed Project Personnel | 1-20 | 13 | 12 | 18 | 10 | 13 | 11 | 13 | | | |
| c) | Financial Information Regarding the Ability to Provide Required Bonding and Insurance | 1-5 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 2 | 4 | 3 | 4 | | | |
| d) | Location of Proposed Office in Relation to the Project Area | 1-5 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 1 | 2 | 3 | | | |
| e) | General Project Experience | 1-10 | 10 | 9 | 9 | 5 | 9 | 8 | 9 | | | |
| f) | Experience with State Contracts Awarded | 1-5 | 5 | 4 | 5 | 1 | 5 | 1 | 3 | | | |
| g) | Other Criteria Included in the Solicitation: | | | | | | | | | | | |
| TOTAL POINTS (Use whole numbers only and break all ties before ranking) | | | 60 | 49 | 61 | 38 | 52 | 41 | 50 | | | |
| RANKING OF CONTRACTORS (1,2,3...) (Transfer to SE-117) | | | 2 | 5 | 1 | 7 | 3 | 6 | 4 | | | |

EVALUATOR CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that all the contractors listed were evaluated and ranked by me based on the Evaluation Criteria shown above and no other criteria was used.

EVALUATOR NAME:P. Brian Long**DATE:**3/15/25**SIGNATURE:**

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CONSTRUCTION PREQUALIFICATION SELECTION COMMITTEE MEMBER CONTRACTOR EVALUATION

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|---|---|------------------|-------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|---|---|---|
| | | | A | B | C | D | E | F | G | H | I | J |
| a) | Past Performance/Recent Construction Projects Completed | 1-25 | 24 | 19 | 22 | 18 | 20 | 18 | 21 | | | |
| b) | Ability of Proposed Project Personnel | 1-20 | 18 | 17 | 19 | 14 | 17 | 15 | 18 | | | |
| c) | Financial Information Regarding the Ability to Provide Required Bonding and Insurance | 1-5 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | | | |
| d) | Location of Proposed Office in Relation to the Project Area | 1-5 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | | | |
| e) | General Project Experience | 1-10 | 9 | 7 | 9 | 7 | 8 | 7 | 8 | | | |
| f) | Experience with State Contracts Awarded | 1-5 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 4 | | | |
| g) | Other Criteria Included in the Solicitation: | | | | | | | | | | | |
| TOTAL POINTS (Use whole numbers only and break all ties before ranking) | | | 62 | 54 | 61 | 49 | 56 | 50 | 58 | | | |
| RANKING OF CONTRACTORS (1,2,3...) (Transfer to SE-117) | | | 1 | 5 | 2 | 7 | 4 | 6 | 3 | | | |

EVALUATOR CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that all the contractors listed were evaluated and ranked by me based on the Evaluation Criteria shown above and no other criteria was used.

EVALUATOR NAME: Austin Williams
DATE: 3/14/2025
SIGNATURE: Austin Williams

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CONSTRUCTION PREQUALIFICATION SELECTION COMMITTEE MEMBER CONTRACTOR EVALUATION

AGENCY: South Carolina Department of Natural Resources

PROJECT NAME: Greenville- Poinsett Bridge Repair

PROJECT NUMBER: P24-6007-PG

| CONTRACTORS SUBMITTING QUALIFICATIONS | |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| A. Huss Inc. | F. Strickland Waterproofing, Inc. |
| B. Watertight Systems, Inc. | G. Stone Restoration |
| C. Southern Renovations | H. |
| D. Pride Masonry | I. |
| E. Midwest Maintenance, Inc. | J. |

| EVALUATION CRITERIA | | Ranking Range | CONTRACTORS | | | | | | | | | |
|--|---|------------------|-------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|---|---|---|
| | | | A | B | C | D | E | F | G | H | I | J |
| a) | Past Performance/Recent Construction Projects Completed | 1-25 | 24 | 20 | 22 | 18 | 21 | 17 | 23 | | | |
| b) | Ability of Proposed Project Personnel | 1-20 | 19 | 17 | 17 | 14 | 17 | 15 | 18 | | | |
| c) | Financial Information Regarding the Ability to Provide Required Bonding and Insurance | 1-5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | | | |
| d) | Location of Proposed Office in Relation to the Project Area | 1-5 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 3 | | | |
| e) | General Project Experience | 1-10 | 9 | 7 | 8 | 5 | 8 | 6 | 9 | | | |
| f) | Experience with State Contracts Awarded | 1-5 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 1 | 4 | 3 | 4 | | | |
| g) | Other Criteria Included in the Solicitation: | | | | | | | | | | | |
| TOTAL POINTS (Use whole numbers only and break all ties before ranking) | | | 63 | 56 | 59 | 47 | 58 | 49 | 62 | | | |
| RANKING OF CONTRACTORS (1,2,3...) (Transfer to SE-117) | | | 1 | 5 | 3 | 7 | 4 | 6 | 2 | | | |

EVALUATOR CERTIFICATION

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EVALUATOR NAME: JEFF BOYER

DATE: 3/2/2025

SIGNATURE: 

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CONSTRUCTION PREQUALIFICATION SELECTION COMMITTEE MEMBER CONTRACTOR EVALUATION

AGENCY: South Carolina Department of Natural Resources
PROJECT NAME: Greenville- Poinsett Bridge Repair
PROJECT NUMBER: P24-6007-PG

| CONTRACTORS SUBMITTING QUALIFICATIONS | |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| A. Huss Inc. | F. Strickland Waterproofing, Inc. |
| B. Watertight Systems, Inc. | G. Stone Restoration |
| C. Southern Renovations | H. |
| D. Pride Masonry | I. |
| E. Midwest Maintenance, Inc. | J. |

| EVALUATION CRITERIA | | Ranking Range | CONTRACTORS | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---------------|-------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|---|---|---|
| | | | A | B | C | D | E | F | G | H | I | J |
| a) | Past Performance/Recent Construction Projects Completed | 1-25 | 23 | 20 | 20 | 18 | 23 | 19 | 22 | | | |
| b) | Ability of Proposed Project Personnel | 1-20 | 19 | 18 | 18 | 16 | 18 | 17 | 18 | | | |
| c) | Financial Information Regarding the Ability to Provide Required Bonding and Insurance | 1-5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 5 | | | |
| d) | Location of Proposed Office in Relation to the Project Area | 1-5 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | |
| e) | General Project Experience | 1-10 | 9 | 7 | 8 | 6 | 9 | 7 | 9 | | | |
| f) | Experience with State Contracts Awarded | 1-5 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 4 | | | |
| g) | Other Criteria Included in the Solicitation: | | | | | | | | | | | |
| TOTAL POINTS (Use whole numbers only and break all ties before ranking) | | | 62 | 57 | 58 | 51 | 60 | 52 | 59 | | | |
| RANKING OF CONTRACTORS (1,2,3...) (Transfer to SE-117) | | | ① | ⑤ | ④ | ⑦ | ② | ⑥ | ③ | | | |

EVALUATOR CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that all the contractors listed were evaluated and ranked by me based on the Evaluation Criteria shown above and no other criteria was used.

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| EVALUATOR NAME: <u>Andy Wicker</u> | DATE: <u>3/12/2025</u> |
| SIGNATURE: <u>Andy Wicker</u> | |

NOTICE OF PREQUALIFICATION OF CONTRACTORS - DESIGN-BID-BUILD**AGENCY:** DNR - Department of Natural Resources**PROJECT NAME:** Greenville-Poinsett Bridge Restoration**PROJECT NUMBER:** P24-6007-PG**POSTING DATE:** 03/20/2025

Notice is hereby given that the Agency Selection Committee has, in accordance with the requirements of SC Code § 11-35-3023, the *Manual for Planning and Execution of State Permanent Improvement Projects*, and the solicitation documents, reviewed the qualifications of interested contractors and determined that the contractors listed below are qualified to bid on this project.

PREQUALIFIED CONTRACTORS1. Huss, Inc.2. Southern Renovations & Construction, LLC3. Stone Restoration of America, Inc4. Midwest Maintenance, Inc.

5. _____

6. _____

7. _____

8. _____

DATE SELECTION WAS MADE: 03/14/2025**REMARKS:** *(If "Prequalification Cancelled" is entered above, indicate the reason.)*N/A**RIGHT TO PROTEST (SC Code § 11-35-4210)**

A prospective bidder, offeror, contractor, or subcontractor who is aggrieved in connection with this solicitation may be entitled to protest. A protest must be submitted to the appropriate Chief Procurement Officer within fifteen (15) days from the date of issuance of the solicitation documents, or an amendment to it, if the amendment is at issue. Days are calculated as provided in Section 11-35-310(13). Protests must be in writing and must be received by the appropriate Chief Procurement Officer within the time provided.

PROTEST - CPO ADDRESS - OSE: Any protest must be addressed to the Chief Procurement Officer for Construction, Office of State Engineer, and submitted in writing (a) by email to: protest-ose@mmo.sc.gov, or (b) by post or delivery to 1201 Main Street, Suite 600, Columbia, SC 29201. By submitting a protest to the foregoing email address, you (and any person acting on your behalf) consent to receive communications regarding your protest (and any related protests) at the email address from which you sent your protest.

BY: Jeff Boyer **TITLE:** Engineer III **DATE:** 03/19/2025**ACKNOWLEDGED BY OSE PROJECT MANAGER:** Phil Gerald **DATE:** 03/19/2025