



CITY OF HOUSTON

Office of Business Opportunity

Interoffice Memorandum

To: Marsha Murray, Assistant Director
From: Monica Dennis, Procurement Specialist, Department Services
Date: May 5, 2015
Subject: Good Faith Efforts Request # 2
SPD / Solid Waste Department (SWD)
Oil Water Separators/ Interceptors Disposal Services - L24839

The Second Good Faith Efforts request submitted by Q Environmental for the above referenced Project has been reviewed and evaluated. This solicitation involves oil water separators/interceptors maintenance and disposal services for the Solid Waste Department.

The bidder previously provided a Good Faith Efforts Request to OBO in April 2015 which was denied due to not contacting MWBEs certified to perform the scope of services. Despite the bidder's efforts in exploring subcontracting opportunities with MWBEs on a list provided by Department Services in April 2015, the bidder was still unable to reach any of the 7% MWBE goal.

Bidder's Information:

The bidder provided a letter stating they could not meet any of the 7% MWBE goal due to not finding any MWBEs with the proper equipment or experience needed to perform the required services. Bidder detailed their efforts of the certified firms contacted and the results of contact.

Department Services Findings:

Research confirms the scope involves oil water separators/interceptors maintenance and disposal services. The contractor will maintain, collect and haul oil water separators/interceptors contents to the City's disposal contractor, Republic Waste.

Bidder reviewed the Department Services' list of MWBEs certified in NAICS code 56211 for trash hauling, waste collection, nonhazardous solid, rubbish collection services, solid waste collection, and trash collection services. However, bidder did not find any MWBEs that can perform the scope of services for this solicitation.

Department Services Recommendation:

The bidder's efforts towards meeting the 7% MWBE goal is in accordance with the City's Good Faith Efforts Policy, as the bidder explored subcontracting opportunities with available MWBEs in the marketplace and provided documentation of their efforts.

Therefore, it is the recommendation to **APPROVE** the bidder's Good Faith Efforts Request.

Reviewed and Accepted

Date 5/7/15

Marsha Murray
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