



# CITY OF HOUSTON

Public Works and Engineering  
Department

## Interoffice

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Affirmative Action

From: Interim Managing Engineer  
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Date: October 13, 2010

Via: Tony Henshaw

Subject: **REQUESTING A WAIVER FOR MWBE  
PARTICIPATION FOR: MISCELLANEOUS  
PROFESSIONAL MATERIALS ENGINEERING  
LABORATORY CONTRACTS**

The Public Works and Engineering Department (PW&E) is requesting a waiver of the MWBE goal for miscellaneous engineering and testing services contracts with Associated Testing Laboratories, Inc. and Paradigm Consultants, Inc.

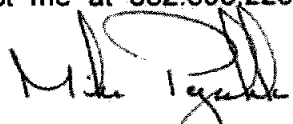
The subject contracts will include construction materials testing services for various projects on an as-needed basis. The estimated four (4) year amount is \$300,000 for each testing laboratory company as mentioned above and may be renewed for one-year term upon the same terms and conditions.

There are no sub-contracting opportunities due to the unique nature of the work to be performed under these contracts. The unique nature of the work consists of each testing laboratory that is responsible for quality control during the construction of the project and issuance of 100% project completion letter when the project is completed. The contracts will provide quality control testing for City projects on an as-needed basis.

These contracts will be used by:

- Engineering and Construction Division
- Public Utilities Division
- Right-of-Way and Fleet Maintenance Division
- Traffic & Transportation Division

If you need additional information, please contact me at 832.395.2262 or Ms. Kate Dang at 832.395.2267.

  
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Tony Henshaw: Approved 

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