



April 7, 2017

Lan-Anh Nguyen, P.E.  
100 S. Myrtle Avenue  
Clearwater, FL 33756

**Subject: WTP No. 1 Improvements – Pressure Filter  
Modifications and Adsorption System  
Automation, Project No. (15-0031-UT)  
Recommendation of Award**  
**Tt# 200-41125-16001**

Dear Ms. Nguyen,

On Thursday, April 6, 2017 bids were publicly opened and read aloud for the above referenced project. Three contractors submitted bids for the project. The low base bid was submitted by RTD Construction, Inc. from Zephyrhills, FL in the amount of four hundred thirty thousand seventy five dollars and eighty cents (\$430,075.80). The second lowest bid was submitted by KAT Construction & Materials, Inc. from Clearwater, FL in the amount of \$462,660.00. The third bid submitted by Kloote Contracting was 1,831,660.60. The engineer's estimate of \$522,000.00.

Excluding the outlying bid from Kloote Contracting, the standard deviation of the lowest bids was less than 5% of the average, which is indicative of a competitive bidding process. The low bid was 18%, or \$91,924.20 lower than the engineer's estimate of \$522,000. A significant source of the variance between the engineer's estimate and the apparent low bid is Bid Items 1 – Mobilization and Demobilization and Bid Item 2 – General Requirements. RTD's unit prices for Bid Items 1 and 2 are significantly lower than either of the other two bids and the engineer's estimate for those bid items.

Mr. Dannie Jordan, President of RTD Construction, Inc. was contacted on April 7, 2017. He stated that the company is satisfied with the bid and that the bid contained no errors or omissions. RTD Construction has an extensive record of current and completed projects throughout Florida, including several within Pinellas County. Based on the above bid analysis, Tetra Tech supports the City of Clearwater in awarding a construction contract to RTD Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$430,075.80 for the above referenced project.

If you should have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

**Tetra Tech, Inc.**

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Emilie Moore'.

Emilie Moore, P.E.

Senior Project Manager

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