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July 19, 2024

**SENT VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL**

Oswaldo Larrazabal  
**SOLID Consulting Engineers, Inc.**  
14400 Pedigree Lane  
Southwest Ranches, FL, 33330

**Re: CBE Addition Request for CEI Services for Pompano Park Place (SW 3<sup>rd</sup> St) Improvements – RFP No. TRN2127251P1**

Dear Mr. Larrazabal,

On June 21, 2024, the Office of Economic and Small Business Development (OESBD) received your request, submitted through the Broward County Purchasing Division, to increase your company's overall CBE participation commitment, under the above-referenced contract, from ninety-five percent (95%) to one hundred percent (100%). This request was received after OESBD had conducted its review of the initial vendor responses to RFP No. TRN2127251P1, memo dated February 15, 2024, but before contract award.

Our office also received, as a part of your request, a copy of executed Letter(s) of Intent (LOIs) with three new CBE-certified firms: Florida Engineering and Testing, Inc, Logan Oakes Communications, Inc., and Conemco Engineering, Inc.

Based on the LOI's submitted to date, the following is your CBE participation under this contract:

<b>Subcontractor</b>	<b>Original Committed Percentage</b>	<b>Revised Percentage</b>
SOLID Consulting Engineers, Inc. (prime)	95.00%	94.42%
<i>Federal Engineering and Testing, Inc. (new)</i>	0.00%	3.16%
<i>Conemco Engineering, Inc. (new)</i>	0.00%	2.22%
<i>Logan Oakes Communications, Inc. (new)</i>	0.00%	0.20%
<b>Total Participation</b>	<b>95.00%</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

Based on the information provided by the Purchasing Department, no agreements have been signed, no work has been performed by the CBEs and no payments have been made to date. SOLID Consulting Engineers, Inc. is aware that this addition request will increase the overall CBE Commitment under this contract from 95% to 100%.

**The request to increase the CBE participation on this project is approved effective July 18, 2024.** SOLID Consulting Engineers, Inc's new CBE participation commitment is 100%.

Please submit a copy of your subcontract agreements with Florida Engineering and Testing, Inc, Logan Oakes Communications, Inc., and Conemco Engineering, Inc. to this office within three weeks of receipt of this correspondence. Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at (954) 357-5615.

Sincerely,

SANDY-MICHAEL MCDONALD  
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Sandy-Michael McDonald, Director  
Office of Economic and Small Business Development

cc: Maribel Feliciano, Assistant Director, OESBD  
Donna-Ann Knapp, Small Business Development Manager, OESBD  
Laurina Gause, Small Business Development Specialist, OESBD



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**MEMORANDUM**

**DATE:** February 15, 2024

**TO:** Jermaine Pinnock – Purchasing Agent  
Broward County Purchasing Division

**THRU:** Sandy-Michael McDonald - Director  
Office of Economic and Small Business Development

**FROM:** Donna-Ann Knapp, Small Business Development Manager  
Office of Economic and Small Business Development

**SUBJECT:** **TRN2127251P1 - CEI Services for Pompano Park Place (SW 3<sup>rd</sup> Street) Improvements – Surtax CBE Compliance Evaluation**

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The Office of Economic and Small Business Development (OESBD) conducted a review of the respondents' compliance with CBE Program requirements for the above referenced project. An overview is provided as follows:

**The CBE goal for this project is: 30%**

**Met the CBE Requirements:**

<b>Firm Name</b>	<b>Category</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>AE Engineering, Inc (Prime)</b>		
Career Marketing	CBE	27%
H2R Corp	CBE	3%
		<u>30%</u>
<b>Calvin, Giordano and Associates, Inc. (Prime)</b>		
Federal Engineering & Testing	CBE	3%
Momentum CEI	CBE	27%
		<u>30%</u>

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**Met the CBE requirements (Continued):**

<b>Carnahan, Proctor &amp; Cross (Prime)</b>		
Momentum CEI	CBE	<u>30%</u>
		<b>30%</b>

<b>CDR Maguire (Prime)</b>		
F&J Engineering	CBE	<u>30%</u>
		<b>30%</b>

<b>F&amp;J Engineering Group, Inc (Prime)</b>	CBE	82%
H2R Corp	CBE	<u>8%</u>
		<b>90%</b>

<b>RJ Behar &amp; Company, Inc. (Prime)</b>		
F&J Engineering	CBE	25%
Federal Engineering & Testing	CBE	<u>5%</u>
		<b>30%</b>

<b>Solid Consulting Engineers, Inc. (Prime)</b>	CBE	<u>95%</u>
		<b>95%</b>

**CBE Compliance Comments:**

AE Engineering, Inc, Carnahan, Proctor & Cross, CDR Maguire, F&J Engineering Group, Inc, R.J. Behar & Company, Inc. and Solid Consulting Engineers, Inc. all submitted the required documentation in accordance with the solicitation requirements and are

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compliant with the CBE Program requirements.

Calvin, Giordano & Associates, Inc. failed to provide NAICS codes on the Letters of Intent (LOI) for one or more subcontractors and was given three (3) days to provide the missing information. Calvin, Giordano & Associates, Inc. responded with the corrected LOIs within the three-day period, and is, therefore, compliant with the CBE Program requirements.

**CBE Compliance History**

The following is a report of the respondents’ CBE compliance history for active projects and projects completed within the last five (5) years of the RFP’s opening date. The information is compiled from various sources including Contracts Central, OESBD’s Database (ALTS) and Monthly Utilization Reports (MURs):

**Active Projects:**

**AE Engineering, Inc.**

<b>Project Name</b>	<b>Project No</b>	<b>Amount Paid to CBEs</b>
Construction Engineering and Inspection (CEI) Services for Transit Infrastructure Improvement Program - Surtax	TRN2121324P1-1	\$60,034.59
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$60,034.59</b>

*\* Data excludes payments to subcontractors prior to January 2019 and after January 2024*

**Calvin, Giordano & Associates, Inc.**

<b>Project Name</b>	<b>Project No</b>	<b>Amount Paid to CBEs</b>
Continuing Engineering Services for Traffic, Roadway, and Civil Projects (CALVIN GIORDANO & ASSOCIATES) - Surtax	PNC2119168P1	\$344,255.31
Professional Engineering Services for Parks and Recreation Division	PNC2123551P1	\$4,973.50
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$349,228.81</b>

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**Carnahan, Proctor & Cross, Inc.**

<b>Project Name</b>	<b>Project No</b>	<b>Amount Paid to CBEs</b>
Consulting Services for Lighting and Sidewalk Improvements - SURTAX	PNC2120189P1	\$97,882
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$97,882</b>

*\* Data excludes payments to subcontractors prior to January 2019 and after January 2024*

**R.J. Behar & Company, Inc.**

<b>Project Name</b>	<b>Project No</b>	<b>Amount Paid to CBEs</b>
Consulting Services for Pine Island Road from Griffin Road to Nova Drive - Surtax	PNC2120376P1	\$419,244.18
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$419,244.18</b>

*\* Data excludes payments to subcontractors prior to January 2019 and after January 2024*

**Solid Consulting Engineering, Inc.**

<b>Project Name</b>	<b>Project No</b>	<b>Amount Paid to CBEs</b>
Construction Engineering and Inspection (CEI) Services for Sheridan St from SW 148th Ave to East of Flamingo Rd.	TRN2123143P1	\$0
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$0</b>

*\* Data excludes payments to subcontractors prior to January 2019 and after January 2024*

No active projects with CBE requirements were found for CDR Maguire and F&J Engineering, Inc. in the past 5 years.

**Source:** ALTS, Contract Central, Monthly Utilization Report (MURs)

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**Completed Projects:**

No completed projects with CBE requirements were found for AE Engineering, Inc, Calvin, Giordano & Associates, Inc, Carnahan, Proctor and Cross Inc, CDR Maguire, F&J Engineering Group, Inc, R.J. Behar & Company, Inc and Solid Consulting Engineering Inc, in the past 5 years.

**Performance of Affiliated Entities:**

The following is a report of the respondents' declared affiliated entities in meeting small business participation commitments on CBE projects completed within the last five (5) years of the BIDs opening date. The information is compiled from various sources including Contracts Central and OESBD's Database (ALTs):

**AE Engineering, Inc.** - No affiliated entities of principal(s) declared by vendor.

**Calvin, Giordano & Associates, Inc.** - No affiliated entities of principal(s) declared by vendor.

**Carnahan, Proctor and Cross, Inc.** - No affiliated entities of principal(s) declared by vendor.

**CDR Maguire** - No affiliated entities of principal(s) declared by vendor.

**F&J Engineering, Inc.** - No affiliated entities of principal(s) declared by vendor.

**R.J. Behar & Company, Inc.**- No affiliated entities of principal(s) declared by vendor.

**Solid Consulting Engineering, Inc.** - No affiliated entities of principal(s) declared by vendor.

cc: Maribel Feliciano, Assistant Director, OESBD  
Laurina Gause, Small Business Development Specialist, OESBD