



June 11, 2021

George Fuller
Texas City Economic Development Corporation
1801 9th Avenue North
Texas City, Texas 77590

RE: Proposal Review for UST Removal & Closure
#1 6th Street North TC Bid No. 2021-405
Texas City, Texas 77590

Dear George:

Pursuant to your request, **ASE Services** has reviewed the Underground Storage Tank (UST) Removal Proposals as submitted on June 9, 2021, for the subject project. Five (5) qualified contractors submitted proposals which ranged from a total low bid of \$78,880.00 to a total high bid of \$121,795.40. One contractor, Geo Environmental, failed to provide accurate and requested unit costs.

The apparent low bid was submitted by Inland Environments Ltd. at the proposed cost of \$73,880.00 (Bid Tabulation Sheet attached). Inland has completed quite a few asbestos abatement and demolition projects for the city with no major problems. This will be the first Underground Storage Tank Removal project completed by Inland for the City.

Inland was contacted and confirmed the scope of work, number of workdays and further stated that, given that no major unforeseen conditions are found, their proposed cost should be sufficient to complete the project. The City of Houston and the City of Bryan were contacted by ASE and provided a particularly good reference for Inland Environments stating that their past work performance for their cities was excellent.

The specified project scope has excluded removal of contaminated soil other than what is immediately impacted by the tanks and has also excluded any costs associated with recommended TCEQ requirements for sampling wells or additional testing. It must be recognized that the removal of USTs at #1 6th Street North have been based on quite a few assumptions and estimates including the size of the tanks, the condition of the tanks, the possibilities of the tanks leaking in the past and the potential for soil/groundwater contamination. The State has no record of these tanks being registered and unforeseen conditions during removal could result in additional costs added to the project. **A \$15,000.00 contingency amount has been included in the bid amounts to cover such additional costs, but costs could possibly extend higher depending on what is found and what recommendations are made and/or required by the TCEQ.**

Based on our review of the proposals submitted, references provided by the City of Houston and City of Bryan and Inland's past experience with the City of Texas City, ASE Services has found no objections with Texas City EDC awarding the UST Removal Contract to Inland Environments Ltd. in the total amount of \$73,880.00.

The project can be scheduled and the required 30 day notification to the TCEQ submitted upon written authorization to proceed and issuance of a purchase order from the City of Texas City.

Should there be any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (409) 916-2383 or by email at srwev51@yahoo.com.

Sincerely yours,
ASE SERVICES

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'SRW', with a horizontal line extending to the right.

Stephen R. (Randy) Wev

Attachment: Bid Tabulation Sheet