



September 15, 2010

Ms. Martha L. Salazar, CPPB, County Purchasing Agent.
Hidalgo County Purchasing Department
Administration Building
2812 S. Business Hwy 281, Edinburg, TX 78539

Dear Ms. Salazar:

As you know, RCC Consultants, Inc. is currently assisting Hidalgo County in the development of a new countywide two-way radio communications system for the Sheriff's Office. The project is currently in Phase III which involves the development of various radio system alternatives and preparation of budgetary cost estimates for those alternatives.

The purpose of this correspondence is to request a short "no cost" extension of the project schedule for Phase III to allow RCC utilize the latest vendor information to complete the Phase III project report. Each year in year in August, there is a major Public Safety industry trade show hosted by the Associated Public Safety Communications Officials (APCO) in which major radio system vendors such as Motorola, Harris, EADS, and others announce the release their new radio communication system developments, products and pricing information. Following this year's convention such information was made available.

To take advantage of the latest available information in the development of communications solutions for Hidalgo County, RCC held off on completion of the Phase III Report to acquire and leverage the latest vendor information and pricing. With that information in hand, we are now proceeding with the preparation of the Phase III project deliverable, the Phase III Report, which we presently expect to deliver on October 11. We expect the remainder of the Phase III activities to follow the tentative dates shown on the timeline below:

- First draft of Phase III Report submitted to Hidalgo County SO for review: October 11, 2010
- Hidalgo County SO reviews the document and returns written comments to RCC by October 22nd for revision
- Second draft returned to Hidalgo County for broader distribution: November 8, 2010
- Meet with County officials to discuss Design Alternatives: Week of November 15, 2010
- Update Recommendation and Executive Summary to reflect final selected option
- Deliver final version of Phase III Report: December 13, 2010

We are requesting that project duration for Phase III be changed from 160 days to specify December 31, 2010, which will allow us to accommodate any Phase III project related requests from the County through the end of this year. **The requested schedule extension involves no additional RCC cost to Hidalgo County** and will allow us to leverage the latest available system information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "G. Munchrath".

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