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MEMORANDUM

TO: D. ALBREY ARRINGTON, Ph.D., Executive Director

FROM: CLINTON R. YERKES, Deputy Executive Director *CR*

DATE: November 6, 2015

SUBJECT: AWARD OF CONTRACT
JUPITER INLET COLONY NEIGHBORHOOD REHABILITATION

The attached letter from ARCADIS and Thomas Jensen, P.E., project manager for the Jupiter Inlet Colony Neighborhood Rehabilitation project provides a summary of the bid process that we recently completed and the results of the bids.

Based upon the engineer's recommendation a motion to proceed with award of contract for the project is provided for Board consideration.

A suggested motion is:

"THAT THE DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD authorize the award of contract for the Jupiter Inlet Colony Neighborhood Rehabilitation to Giannetti Contracting Corp., for a total base bid amount of \$9,351,325.00.

And

THAT THE DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD authorize an additional amount of \$94,000.00 as contingency to the contract."

Should you have any questions in regard to this matter please contact me or Mr. Jensen.

Clint Yerkes
Deputy Executive Director
Loxahatchee River Environmental Control District
2500 Jupiter Park Drive
Jupiter, FL 33458

Subject
Jupiter Inlet Colony
Neighborhood Rehabilitation

Dear Mr. Yerkes:

On August 25, 2015 two (2) bids were received for the above referenced project. We had a fair amount of activity during the bidding process, selling a total of 14 bid packages (10 to contractors, 1 to a supplier and 3 plan holder rooms). We believed there were to be a minimum of four (4) bidders on this project, with two bidders dropping out in the last few days prior to the bid over concern of the dewatering permit requirement and other bidding opportunities that they were pursuing. The underground utility contracting business has gained momentum over the last few months causing these contractors to address staffing/equipment concerns, being selective in the type/complexity of work they bid on and their own internal costs within this competitive marketplace. These are some of the reasons why only two bids were received.

The total base bid amounts for the bids received are noted below:

<u>CONTRACTOR</u>	<u>TOTAL BASE BID</u>
Giannetti Contracting Corp.	\$9,563,995.00
Man-Con, Inc.	\$11,516,181.00

The engineers estimate for the project was \$7,604,000.

Based on the above criteria, we have investigated the qualifications of the apparent low bidder, Giannetti Contracting, Inc. We have found that Giannetti Contracting's qualifications to be in conformance with the specification requirements. They have exhibited significant experience for this type of work. We have also contacted several of their references and have found the reaction to this firm to be universally positive.

Upon a further review of the bid documents, we discovered what appeared to be an error in one of the line items within the Giannetti bid. They had a bid item out of line, which was under the Water Distribution System, Item 9, Water Service, iii.1-1/2 inch

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(JIC Club Marina). This item is for 170LF of 1-1/2 inch water service with a unit price of \$1,286, totaling \$218,620. Giannetti recognizes the error and has submitted a revised unit cost of \$35/LF, totaling \$5,950. This provides a reduction of \$212,670, for a new Grand Total Bid of \$9,351,325. Under the criteria set forth in the Instructions to Bidders, Article 1, Item #9, second paragraph, we believe this matter constitutes a bidding irregularity.

Based upon our above findings, we therefore recommend award of the contract to Giannetti Contracting, Inc., for their total base bid amount of \$9,351,325.00.

Should you have any questions or wish to discuss further, please call.

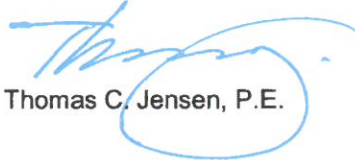
Sincerely,

ARCADIS U.S., Inc.



William D. Reese, P.E.
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Thomas C. Jensen, P.E.