## **BID INFORMATION MEMORANDUM**

## Fixed-Price Competitive Bid Solicitation Haller's Sporting Goods

632 Elm Street, Tionesta Borough, Forest County, PA 16353 PADEP Facility ID #27-14099; PAUSTIF Claim #2005-0045(S)

USTIF understands and appreciates the effort necessary to prepare a well-conceived response to a bid solicitation. As a courtesy, the following summary information is being provided to the bidders.

Number of firms attending pre-bid meeting: 7 Number of bids received: 3

List of firms submitting bids: Converse Consultants

CORE Environmental Services, Inc.

Letterle & Associates, LLC

This was a "Bid to Result" Scope of Work bid and so technical approach was the most heavily weighted evaluation criteria. The range in cost between the three evaluated bids was \$112,659.66 to \$170,090.00. Based on the numerical scoring, one of the three bids was determined to meet the "Reasonable and Necessary" criteria established by the Regulations and was deemed acceptable by the evaluation committee for USTIF funding. The Claimant reviewed and selected the acceptable bid.

The selected bidder was Letterle & Associates, LLC: Bid Price - \$131,394.45.

The attached sheet lists some general comments regarding the evaluation of the bids that were received for this solicitation. These comments are intended to provide information regarding the bids that were received for this solicitation and to assist you in preparing bids for future solicitations.

## GENERAL COMMENTS REGARDING EVALUATED BIDS

- It was unclear in some bid responses whether the smear zone soil impacts would be vertically delineated by extending the soil borings to the seasonal low water table.
- The recovery well construction specifications in some bid responses did not appear adequate to fully target the suspected soil impacts on the cemetery property or to preclude potential recovery well short-circuiting.
- Regarding the risk assessment, chemicals of potential concern (COPCs) need to be determined / screened using the USEPA Regional Screening Levels (RSLs) as stated in the RFB rather than the USEPA Region 3 Risk Based Concentrations.
- Some bid responses were unclear as to whether the bidder understood that the PADEP is inclined to review and consider approving requests for groundwater use restriction waivers for Elm Street and the Riverside cemetery property or that such requests will need to be submitted to the Department.
- As proposed in some bids, conducting active remediation in established & critical
  monitoring wells MW-13, MW-14 and MW-15 is inappropriate and would likely provide
  unrepresentative groundwater analytical results for the purpose of demonstrating stable to
  decreasing contaminant trends.