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Program Management Selection Information

Ozanne Construction Co., KWAME Building Group, MWH

This is a collaboration that is best described as a national but smaller yet accomplished full service construction and project management company and DBE as the lead/prime, Ozanne Construction Co., jointly ventured with a smaller yet impressively credentialed DBE construction management consultant, KWAME Building Group, and MWH, a global powerhouse, definitely the major resource of the collaboration and is among the oldest and most experienced construction management firms in the world. Although this global corporation is not the prime, the collaboration clearly demonstrates MWH as the lead in the on site project management, including A/E selections, negotiations, contract compliance, quality control / value engineering, cost estimating, code compliance, bidding, and construction through closeout. The breadth of FEMA experience demonstrated by the 2 MWH attendees reflected both executive level connections, experience and communications and while also having basic compliance and PW experience. Their FEMA knowledge and familiarity appears to be more well rounded and resourced than the Gilbane / McTech program management proposal. The trio, through Ozanne and KWAME, demonstrates some experience in the corrections / institutional construction. Although Ozanne reports a local office in Metairie, the strength the overall team is the pre-existing home office and resources of the strongest leg of the stool, MWH. Although the local MWH pre-Katrina experience demonstrates most of it's project management and A/E experience in the area of local and state government infrastructure work, their ability to mobilize resources and to begin immediately is evident. Because of their local positioning, MWH has pre-existing knowledge of the local, market, resources and permitting experience. The project fee for this collaboration is 9%?. This trio is the most diverse of the 2 firms on the short list.

Gilbane Inc., McTech

This is a collaboration of Gilbane Inc., as the prime/lead, a relatively large, national and premier family owned real estate, construction and facilities service company in the construction management industry joined with a smaller and less established DBE, McTech. Gilbane appears to be a well resourced and experience construction firm and demonstrates extensive knowledge in corrections / institutional construction. Although not local, they have expressed their commitment to mobilize resources on demand when needed. Gilbane will be the lead of the on-site project management, including A/E selections, negotiations, contract compliance, quality control / value engineering, cost estimating, code compliance, bidding, and construction through closeout. The level of FEMA experience demonstrated was mitigation specific and not global. However, the FEMA representative's connections as a FEMA Coordinator may avail him to some greater resources. Gilbane has also noted their ability to attract and procure construction contractors experienced in corrections and materials from the outside. McTech Group is dedicated to creating innovative products for the commercial and industrial concrete

flooring industry. Although **McTech** has been handling contracting and construction needs for a relatively short period of time, forming an alliance or partnership with its customers is very much the desire and management philosophy of **McTech Corp.**

Both companies express their monogamous like intentions toward commitment to the OPCSO. Both companies promise 1st class project management, client updates and promise the project deliverables on time and on budget. The **Ozanne Construction Co., KWAME Building Group, MWH** collaboration seems to be more knowledgeable in the area of FEMA, with most of its project management resources already local because of MWH. Also, the global experience of MWH along with the unlimited expertise in it's vast vertical chain make it the most resourced of the 2 collaborations. However, MWH's existing contractual relationship with the City of New Orleans is of a concern....Not in terms of resources but in terms of the OPCSO's pecking order as a customer compared to the CNO.. **Glibane Inc.**, is a large and well resourced national company and has demonstrated more extensive strategic experience in the area of corrections / institutional construction. However, the role of **McTech**, relative to DBE participation, appears to be less involved and undefined as per the project organizational chart. Some concerns exist regarding their experience, capacity, involvement and other collaborations.

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