



January 20, 2011

Mr. Ed Wilmes
Village of Orland Park
15655 South Ravinia Avenue
Orland Park, IL 60462

Re: **INTERSECTION AND ROADWAY IMPROVEMENT
143RD STREET & LAGRANGE ROAD**
Recommendation of Construction Contract Award

Dear Mr. Wilmes:

On January 14, 2011, the bids were opened by the Village Clerk and read aloud. There were six bids received. The average of the bids was \$11,748,931.52 and the bids ranged from a high of \$13,739,410.31 to the low bid of \$10,231,123.74 (base bid) which was submitted by the apparent low bidder, F.H. Paschen, S.N. Nielsen & Associates, LLC (Paschen). The apparent low bidder was \$802,557.10 below the next lowest bidder Lorig Construction Company.

The bids of the two lowest bidders were thoroughly checked and no arithmetic errors were found in either bid. We have also reviewed the bids against the average of the bids received as well as the Engineers Opinion of Probable Construction Cost. The results of this review are attached. There are several items of note that we call to the Village's attention in the attached memorandum. However none of these items will change the amount of the bid and therefore have no impact on the recommendation of award.

Paschen listed references from the Illinois Tollway, Illinois Department of Transportation and City of Chicago in their bid. The references were not contacted since our staff has experience with Paschen and they are well known in the construction industry as a quality contractor.

Based on our research we find that Paschen is qualified to perform the work covered by the referenced construction contract. We recommend award of the construction contract for the Intersection and Roadway Improvement – 143rd Street & LaGrange Road project to F.H. Paschen, S.N. Nielsen & Associates, LLC in the amount of \$10,231,123.74 (Base Bid).

In addition, we recommend that the following alternates be awarded to Paschen in the following amounts:

Alternate #1 - Substitute Clay Pavers for Concrete Pavers	(\$ 6,753.50) (deduct)
Alternate #3 – Masonry Columns, additional locations	\$ 88,720.00 (add)
Alternate #5 – Ornamental Fence, additional locations	\$ 81,707.50 (add)
Alternate #6 – Structural Soil Material	\$118,405.00 (add)

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The total recommended award amount to Paschen including the base bid and alternates 1, 3, 5 & 6 is \$10,513,202.74.

V3 also recommends the village include a construction budget contingency amount of 5.0% of the base bid (\$511,556.19) for unforeseen conditions and unanticipated utility relocations.

The total recommended construction budget amount including base bid, alternates 1, 3, 5 & 6 and the 5% contingency is \$11,024,758.93.

If you have any questions or require further information, please contact me or Ed Herlihy.

Sincerely,
V3 COMPANIES OF ILLINOIS, LTD.



George J. Schober, P.E.
Senior Project Manager

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