

October 5, 2021

Ms. Stephanie Lewis  
Director, Operation Services Department  
Brunswick County  
P.O. Box 249  
179 March 9, 1764 Drive, NE  
Bolivia, NC 28422

**Reference: Letter of Recommendation of Contract Award  
Municipal Solid Waste New Transfer Station**

Dear Ms. Lewis:

Bids for the Municipal Solid Waste New Transfer Station were received on Tuesday, September 14, 2021 at 2:00 pm at the Brunswick County Operation Services Building located at 179 March 9, 1764 Drive NE, Bolivia, NC 28422. After declaring bidding closed, it was noted that five (5) bid proposals for the project were submitted. All bidders were present for the opening. The following questions were asked and received unanimous responses noted in italics:

- There were three addendums issued; were the addendum received? *Yes.*
- Was anyone denied the right to bid? *No.*
- Are there any objections to proceeding with the bid opening? *No.*

Each of the five (5) bid proposals were then opened and read aloud. Subsequent to the bid opening, Dewberry Engineers Inc. (Dewberry) has reviewed the bids for this project and it is our opinion that each bidder has submitted a responsive, responsible bid. A summary of each bidders base bid is provided below. The Certified Bid Tabulation is enclosed for your reference.

<b><u>Bidder</u></b>	<b><u>Location</u></b>	<b><u>Total Base Bid</u></b>
Monteith Construction Corp.	Wilmington, NC	\$5,290,090.00
Thomas Construction Group	Wilmington, NC	\$5,701,164.00
CIC Construction Group USA, LLC	Raleigh, NC	\$6,688,479.67
Civil Works Contracting	Wilmington, NC	\$7,259,120.64
Conti Enterprises, Inc.	Edison, NJ	\$7,535,442.00

This bid package includes the construction of a new municipal solid waste transfer station located at the Brunswick County Landfill at 172 Land Fill Rd NE, Bolivia, NC 28422.

It should be noted that Thomas Construction Group and CIC Construction Group USA, LLC (CIC) bids had several mistakes, including the following:

1. CIC wrote a unit price of \$163,000.00 for truck scales in its bid, but the total price in their bid was written at \$163,600.00.
2. When totaling CIC's unit prices, the sum of their bid was missing \$50,610.66 from their total base bid.

3. When totaling Thomas Construction Group's unit prices, the sum of their bid was missing \$756,756.64 from their total base bid.

It should be noted that it is stated in the Instruction to Bidders that words shall take precedence over numerical symbols in cases where it not evident what portion of a proposal is errant.

Based on this information and guidance from the Brunswick County Legal Department, Dewberry recommends that Brunswick County award the contract for the Municipal Solid Waste New Transfer Station to Monteith Construction Corp., the apparent, low responsible, responsive bidder on the basis of the base bid. The award is contingent on the approval of the bid by the Brunswick County Board of Commissioners. The Contract award will be for the amount of \$5,290,090.00.

Sincerely,  
Dewberry Engineers Inc.



Amir R. Hadjimiry, P.E.  
Project Manager

Enclosure: Certified Bid Tab

CC: Matt West, P.E., Dewberry  
Heather Murray, Brunswick County