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Recommendation

Adopt Request for Qualifications UD-25-255 for various On-Call Gas Engineering and Inspection Services and award contracts to SPEC Services, Inc., from Fountain Valley, CA and EDM Services, Inc., of Simi Valley, CA, in a total annual aggregate amount not to exceed \$1,500,000 for one-year, with the option to renew for two additional one-year periods at the General Manager's discretion; and authorize the General Manager to execute all necessary documents to enter into the contracts, including any subsequent amendments.

Executive Summary

On April 22, 2025, the Long Beach Public Utilities Department issued a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) via Long Beach Buys seeking Statement of Qualifications (SOQ) for various on-call gas engineering and inspection services. Three SOQ's were received, reviewed, and deemed responsive. Each SOQ was evaluated based on the following criteria:

- demonstrated competence, technical capabilities, and familiarity with local, state, and federal regulations;
- relevant experience and expertise in the applicable disciplines, including the use of subconsultants;
- qualifications and experience of key personnel; current workload and staff availability
- references and past performance on similar projects; and the
- reasonableness of proposed costs.

Following a comprehensive evaluation, the selection committee recommended selecting SPEC Services, Inc. and EDM Services Inc., a women owned, certified small business. Both firms demonstrated extensive experience in natural gas distribution design and exhibited a strong understanding of industry standards and best practices. In addition, these firms bring valuable technical expertise in specialized areas such as pipeline design utilizing horizontal directional drilling techniques and intake station design.

Fiscal Impact

The cost to the Gas Fund will be incurred from FY 25 through FY 28, with the total annual aggregate amount not to exceed \$1,500,000. These costs are included in the Gas Fund FY 25 and FY 26 Budget and financial projections for FY 27 and FY 28.

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