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May 29, 2025

Columbus Utilities Michelle Kaltenberg, Business Manager 950 Maple Ave. Columbus, WI 53925

Subject: Columbus Utilities, Multiple-Year Overhead Electric Facility Installation Unit Pricing Contract, C09-25B, Spec 4218.

Dear Michelle:

We have analyzed and reviewed the bids received for the Columbus Utilities, Multiple-Year Overhead Electric Facility Installation Unit Pricing Contract. Six contractors submitted bids on this project. The contractors were Hooper, Corp., MP Systems, INC., Michels Power, INC., Jolma Utilities, LLC., M.J. Electric, LLC., and Intercon Construction, INC.

To determine the lowest responsible bidder, we analyzed the bids based on units for potential projects that Columbus Utilities <u>could</u> construct. The bid documents clearly state that the owner makes no guarantee of any work to the contractor that is awarded this contract. When Columbus Utilities has a project that they intend to construct using this pricing, a Task Order between the utility and the awarded bidder will be created clearly detailing what units will be used, the quantity for each unit, and the total cost of the Task Order.

After our analysis, we have determined that Jolma Utilities, LLC., is the evaluated low bidder and recommend that you award contract C09-2B, Spec. 4218, to them. Forster Electrical Engineering has worked successfully with Jolma Utilities on past projects with other municipal electric utilities. Jolma Utilities. has an impressive record with their safety, experienced crews, and exceptional work

Please note that there will not be an 'official' contract amount as the contract price will not be established until Task Order(s) are created for the project(s) that will be constructed.

If you have any questions, please let me know. Once Columbus Utilities has approved this contractor, please let us know and we will begin to send the contract out for signatures.

Sincerely,

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