



August 5, 2022

City of Lynden
300 4th Street
Lynden, WA 98264

Attn: Mark Sandal
Programs Manager

**RE: Bender Road Water Main Replacement – North of Badger Road
Recommendation to Award**

Dear Mr. Sandal,

We have reviewed all construction bid proposals for the above referenced project. Northern Contractors LLC provided the lowest bid at \$417,017.49.

Northern Contractors LLC did not acknowledge Addendum No. 1 on the "Bid Proposal Signature and Addendum Acknowledgement" form in the Bid Proposal Package. However, Northern Contractors LLC did use the correct "Revised Bid Proposal Form" incorporated into the Contract Documents via Addendum No. 1. Thus,

In accordance with the Special Provisions, Section 1-02.13, a proposal may be considered irregular and may be rejected if receipt of Addenda is not acknowledged (emphasis added). Considering that the correct "Revised Bid Proposal Form" was used, we recommend accepting the bid from Northern Contractors LLC.

The Certified Tabulation of Bids Received, Bidder's Checklist, and Debarment Check documents are attached for your information and review.

We recommend that you award the contract to Northern Contractors LLC subject to the following:

- Required project funds are available
- Considering the failure to acknowledge the Addenda as a minor irregularity

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Nathan Zylstra', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Nathan Zylstra, P.E.
Reichhardt & Ebe Engineering, Inc.