

**BID INFORMATION MEMORANDUM**  
**Fixed Price Competitive Bid Solicitation**  
**Former Barnesboro Best Facility**  
**Route 219 (Crawford Avenue)**  
**Northern Cambria, Cambria County, Pennsylvania 15714**  
**PADEP Facility ID #11-11384; USTIF Claim #1997-0125(F)**

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USTIF understands and appreciates the effort necessary to prepare a well-conceived response to a bid solicitation. As a courtesy, the following summary information is being provided to the bidders who submitted bids in response to the solicitation listed above.

Number of firms attending pre-bid meeting: 12  
Number of bids received: 9

List of firms submitting bids (alphabetical order): Alternative Environmental Solutions, Inc.  
Chambers Environmental Group, Inc.  
CORE Environmental Services, Inc.  
CP Environmental Group, Inc.  
Dhi Engineering & Environmental Services  
Environmental Alliance  
EnviroTrac Environmental Services  
Letterle & Associates, LLC  
Mountain Research, LLC

This was a defined Scope of Work (SOW) bid; therefore, price was the most heavily weighted evaluation criterion. The range in base bid cost associated with the 9 bids received was \$36,641.96 to \$83,150.00. Based on the numerical scoring, one of the 9 bids was determined to meet the "Reasonable and Necessary" criteria established by the Regulations and was deemed acceptable by the evaluation committee for USTIF funding. The claimant reviewed and selected the acceptable bid.

**The selected bidder was Environmental Alliance. Bid Price - \$36,641.96.**

The attached sheet lists some general comments regarding the evaluation of the 9 bids received for this solicitation. These comments are intended to provide general information that may assist in preparing bids in response to future solicitations.

## **GENERAL COMMENTS REGARDING EVALUATED BIDS**

- Bid responses should include a rationale description and details where the words “shall” and “must” are used in the RFB. For example, if the RFB specifications are to: (a) respond to the SOW task in detail; and (b) demonstrate the prior site documentation has been reviewed, the bid response must address each specification clearly and fully. With respect to this solicitation, bidders should have – (1) fully described the soil attainment approach including how appropriate PADEP guidance are incorporated into the approach, how the boundaries of the previous excavations would be located so the soil attainment could occur along the boundaries at the appropriate depth interval; (2) presented the rationale for the new monitoring wells, identified where the proposed wells would be placed (e.g., in a drawing) and detailed the proposed precautions that would be taken to avoid damaging existing below grade utilities; and (3) specifically discussed petitioning PADEP to reduce quarterly groundwater attainment events when permitted by the data.
- The bid response should have included enough “original” (i.e., not copied verbatim from the RFB) language conveying bidder’s thought such that the understanding and approach of the bidder could be evaluated. Since bidders are not prequalified, the technical content of the bid response must equip the evaluation committee and claimant to make a thorough and complete review of the bid and bidder.