



**SOUTH FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT  
NOTICE OF INTENT TO AWARD**

<b>RFB No.:</b> 6000000125	<b>Title:</b> S-129, 2-131 & S-133 Microwave Towers, Glades & Okeechobee Counties, Florida
<b>SBE Availability (%):</b> 24%	<b>Opening Date:</b> October 23, 2007
<b>Total Bids Received:</b> 7	<b>Advertised date:</b> September 20, 2007
<b>Bids Received from SBEs:</b>	<b>Advertised in:</b> Palm Beach Daily Business Review, Okeechobee News, Highlands Today, Treasure Coast Newspapers, and News Sun
<b>Total Bid Packages Mailed:</b> 29	
<b>Bid Packages Mailed to SBEs:</b> 11	
<b>No-Bids Received:</b> 4	<b>Contract Specialist:</b> Cathy Richards
<b>No Answers:</b> 18	<b>Project Manager:</b> Greg Cantelo

<b>BIDDERS</b>	<b>BID AMOUNT</b>
Southeastern Communication Services, Inc.	\$1,950,304.00
Expert Construction Managers, Inc.	\$1,988,000.00
Sabre Communications Corp.	\$2,076,378.00
Carrick Contracting Corp.	\$2,090,334.00
Andrew Systems, Inc.	\$2,424,975.00
C.A.N. Construction, Inc.	\$2,570,187.00
Harry Pepper & Associates, Inc.	\$2,666,745.00

The bid amounts indicated above are as submitted at the bid opening and are subject to verification. Award of the contracts to the lowest bidder is subject to the District's determination that the bid is responsive and that the bidder is responsible as indicated by the signatures below.

*Approvals required in numerical order. Signatures must be dated.*

Project Manager - Attach detailed justification that recommended bidder is responsive and responsible.

1. [Signature] 10/29/07  
Project Manager Date

Recommendation for award to low bidder?

Yes  No

2. [Signature] 29 Oct 2007  
Department Director Date

If no, recommend award to:

Expert Construction Managers, Inc.

3. [Signature] 10/25/07  
Deputy Executive Director (Resource Area) Date

Basis of recommendation: Lowest

responsive/responsible bidder

4. [Signature] 10/30/07  
Contract Specialist Date

5. [Signature] 10/30/07  
Contract Manager Date

6. [Signature] 10/31/07  
Gatekeeper Date

7. \_\_\_\_\_  
Office of Counsel Date

Governing Board approval of award or contract required?

Yes  No

8. [Signature] 10/31/07  
Procurement Director Date

9. [Signature] 10/31/07  
District Leadership Team Date

\*Signature only required when recommendation of award is to (a) other than low bid (when low bidder has been deemed non-responsive and/or non-responsible), or (b) when only one bid is received. CS or PM must provide backup as appropriate in all cases. (Insert N/A if not applicable.)

NOTE: This form shall serve as the District's Notice of a decision or intended decision as defined in Section 120.57(3)(a) F.S., and Chapter 28-110, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.). Failure to timely file with the District Clerk a notice of intent to protest, or a formal written protest with a bond, as prescribed in Section 120.57(3), F.S., and Section 287.042(2)(c), F.S., shall constitute a waiver of proceedings under Chapter 120, F.S.

**Posting Date:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Posting Time:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Initials:** \_\_\_\_\_

**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Ed Palmowski, Project Manager, Construction Department

**FROM:** Cathy Richards, Contract Specialist, Procurement Department 

**DATE:** October 29, 2007

**SUBJECT:** Determination of Responsiveness, 600000125  
S-129, S-131 & S-133 Microwave Towers, Glades & Okeechobee Counties, FL

The bid from Southeastern Communication Services, Inc. was the lowest bid received however, it was deemed Non-Responsive due to missing SBE requirements.

The bid from Expert Construction Managers, Inc. was the lowest responsive bid received.

The Bid Bond submitted was reviewed by Risk Management and found acceptable.

The SBE percentage submitted was reviewed by the Small Business Office and found acceptable at 100%.

The review accomplished by procurement determined the Contractor to be responsive to the solicitation requirements.

Please verify that the bid meets responsibility requirements.

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## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Cathy Richards, Sr. Contract Specialist, Procurement Department

**THROUGH:** Cled Weldon, Department Director, Engineering

**THROUGH:** Tim Carter, Division Director, Construction

**FROM:** Ed Palmowski, Staff Engineer, Construction Division

**DATE:** October 29, 2007

**SUBJECT: S-129, S-131 & S-133 Microwave Towers  
RFB No. 6000000125/C740  
Award Recommendation**

Expert Construction Managers, Inc. is an active and current corporation authorized to transact business in the state of Florida. Expert Construction Managers, Inc. has been a qualified business in the State of Florida since 2001. Expert Construction Managers, Inc. is the lowest responsive and responsible bidder for this Contract at \$1,988,000.00.

Copies of the on-line check for corporate status and licensure are attached (See Attachment). Mr. Bill Brown, CGC1504255, is a State of Florida Certified General Contractor with an active license, and is the qualifier for Expert Construction Managers, Inc. There are no complaints currently on record.

Expert Construction Managers, Inc. has previously bid and been awarded other construction/service related contracts for the SFWMD, which were completed with satisfactory results.

In addition, various references provided by Expert Construction Managers, Inc. had been previously checked in conjunction with another contract recently awarded to Expert Construction Managers, Inc. and an additional current outside reference check was made. These references indicated at that their projects were completed on schedule and within budget, expressing satisfaction with the overall management and performance of the work.

In accordance with the above, I recommend award of this contract to Expert Construction Managers, Inc.

TC/EP  
Attachment - Corporate Status and Licensure

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