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E-MAIL

William Anslow Albany County Department of Public Works 449 New Salem Road Voorheesville, New York 12186

Re:

CR 252 Knox Cave Road Highway Improvement

Project No. 19-C554 (RFB No. 2021-019)

Towns of Berne and Knox Albany County, NY

Dear Mr. Anslow:

Maser Consulting has reviewed the bids submitted to Albany County on February 18, 2021 for RFB 2021-019 and have the following comments.

A bid analysis was completed and the bids, as submitted by the contractors, have been verified and found to be accurate. The attached bid analysis shows items in red that exceed the engineers estimate by 25 %. The items to be addressed are those Items as submitted by the apparent low bidder, New Castle Paving, LLC.

The following are not major items:

Item 606.7920- Removing and Disposing Box Beam Guide Railing End Assembly

The following Items are major Items:

Item 606.606.120201 – Box Beam Guide Railing End Assembly Type IIA.

Explanation: The engineers estimate was low, as the estimated price was adjusted for the large quantity, for this item.

Item 606.53 – Resetting Box Beam Guide Railing – The engineers estimate was as the fact that it is labor intensive was not taken into consideration. The labor is required in disassembling the existing railing, pulling the posts, driving and posts and reassembling the railing.

Item 645.81 – Type A Sign Posts – This Item was estimated low. The estimated should have been higher since the price of steel fluctuates along with the price of oil.

Maser Consulting recommends award of the project to the apparent low bidder, New Castle Paving, LLC.

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