



UNITED STATES
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20555-0001

August 16, 1994

The Honorable Daniel P. Moynihan
United States Senator
28 Church Street
Guaranty Building, Suite 203
Buffalo, NY 14202

Dear Senator Moynihan:

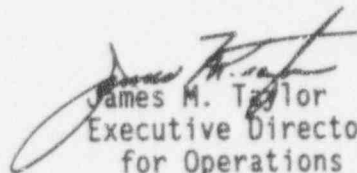
I am responding to your June 10, 1994, inquiry concerning the Quality Inspection Services, Inc. (QIS) proposal submitted in response to our solicitation numbered RS-NRR-94-029, entitled "Technical Assistance in Support of the NRC Mobile Nondestructive Examination Laboratory." In my July 7, 1994, interim response I agreed to notify you of the results of our evaluation.

We have completed our evaluation of the proposals submitted by offerors in response to the above-referenced solicitation. Regretfully, as a result of our evaluation, the QIS proposal was determined to be technically unacceptable and has been eliminated from the competitive range. A total rewrite of the proposal would be necessary in order for the Government to render it acceptable and conduct meaningful discussions. Therefore, no further consideration will be given to QIS.

For your information, we have enclosed a copy of the letter notifying your constituent of the results of our evaluation, which identifies the major deficiencies that were noted in their proposal.

I trust that this response satisfies your inquiry.

Sincerely,


James M. Taylor
Executive Director
for Operations

Enclosure:
As stated

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Quality Inspection Services, Inc.
ATTN: Mr. John E. Sisson, President
186 Warwick Avenue
P.O. Box 732
Buffalo, NY 14215

Dear Mr. Sisson:

Subject: Request For Proposal No. RS-NRR-94-029 Entitled "Technical Assistance for Support of the NRC Mobile Nondestructive Evaluation Laboratory"

This is to advise you that your organization is an unsuccessful offeror under the subject solicitation. While an award has not yet been made, your firm has been eliminated from any further consideration for award based upon a comprehensive review and analysis of all proposals received.

The following is a discussion of your proposal's major deficiencies as found by the Source Evaluation Panel. Such discussion is general in nature and should not be construed to be all inclusive with respect to your proposal's weaknesses.

The major deficiencies were as follows:

1. Although you proposed several ANST Level III individuals, only one technician meets all of the requirements as specified in the Request for Proposal (RFP) and no back-up personnel were provided. The Statement of Work (SOW) states that a team of two technicians are required for the proposed effort. No evidence was provided to support the assertion that the proposed technicians' resumes and qualifications records comply with ANST CP-189. The proposal mentions 10 CFR 50, Appendix B and states that records of qualification, certification and work performed are maintained; however, the proposal fails to provide details of how your quality assurance program addresses the applicable parts of 10 CFR 50, Appendix B and ANST-CP-189.
2. Your proposal provides very little evidence of experience in nuclear power plant piping, pressure vessel and structural Non-Destructive Evaluation (NDE). Only one of the six resumes submitted demonstrates background in the areas of NDE as specified in the RFP. Your proposal states that your procedures comply with ANSI B.3.1.1 and ASME III, V, and VIII; however, no evidence was provided in the proposal to support this statement. Although an extensive list of references was included in your proposal, it did not provide the requested information on samples of completed contracts which involved the conduct of NDE work to ASME Code requirements and ASNT Standards. Two resumes indicate experience at commercial facilities that are subject to 10 CFR 50, Appendix B; however, the extent of the experience was not clearly presented.

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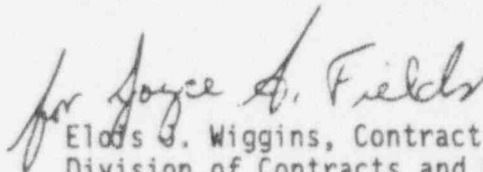
3. Your proposal paraphrases the SOW, and therefore, does not demonstrate a complete understanding of the requirements. Section L.8 of the RFP states that statements that paraphrase the SOW may be construed as an indication of the offeror's lack of understanding of the SOW and proposed contract objectives. You demonstrated very little familiarity with nuclear regulations, such as 10 CFR 50, Appendix B and nuclear codes, such as ASME or ASNT CP-189, which is necessary and required for this effort. In fact, very little evidence of experience in working in a nuclear environment was provided in the proposal.
4. Your proposal did not provide an organizational chart, therefore, the suitability of your organizational structure for the proposed project could not be assessed. Your proposal did not adequately address project management, quality assurance and contract administration and also did not address the extent to which you could provide for effective process and controls on qualification and testing for the certification of NDE technicians.

Since further negotiations with your organization concerning this procurement are not contemplated, a revision to your proposal will not be considered. When award is made, you will be notified of the name and address of the successful offeror and the related award information.

Your interest in competing for the requirements of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission is both appreciated and encouraged. The participation of your organization in any future requirements is hereby solicited.

If you have any questions regarding this solicitation or this letter, please call Ms. Carolyn A. Cooper, of my staff on (301) 415-6737.

Sincerely,



Elod's G. Wiggins, Contracting Officer
Division of Contracts and Property Management

Due ELH 6/27/94
PGN 6/30/94
EDO 7/5/94

TAB2: Carolyn Cooper

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ACTION

EDO Principal Correspondence Control

FROM: DUE: 07/06/94

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FINAL REPLY:

Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan

TO:

Dennis Rathbun, OCA

FOR SIGNATURE OF :

** GRN **

CRC NO: 94-0577

Executive Director

DESC:

ROUTING:

ENCLOSES LTR FROM JOHN E. SISSON & RALPH E. FIERLE
QUALITY INSPECTION SERVICES, INC. RE PROPOSAL FOR
SERVICE CONTRACT WITH NRC

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DATE: 06/22/94

ASSIGNED TO:

CONTACT:

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SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS OR REMARKS:

Reply to Buffalo, New York Office.
Mark envelope ATTN: Richard J. Horner.
Reply in duplicate & return incoming with reply.
Ref. EDO 10177.

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Please prepare a response for the signature of the EDO and return to ADM not later than July 5, 1994.

DANIEL P. MOYNIHAN
NEW YORK

United States Senate

28 CHURCH STREET
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June 10, 1994

Mr. Dennis K. Rathbun
Director
Office of Congressional Affairs
Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20555

Dear Mr. Rathbun:

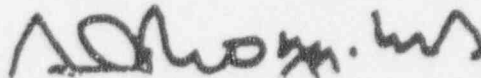
The enclosed inquiry is from a constituent of mine.

I would appreciate your careful consideration of these remarks, and your thoughts on what remedies there may be made for this situation.

Please send me your written response in duplicate along with the letter from my constituent to:

Senator Daniel P. Moynihan
The Guaranty Building
28 Church Street, Suite 203
Buffalo, New York 14202
Attention: Richard J. Horner
Staff Assistant

Sincerely,



Daniel Patrick Moynihan
United States Senator

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June 1, 1994

The Honorable Daniel P. Moynihan
United States Senate
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Buffalo, New York 14202

Dear Senator Moynihan:

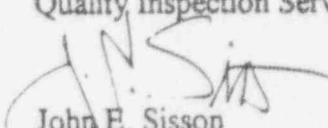
We are writing to introduce ourselves as well as our Company to you. We are an independent inspection and testing firm providing Quality Assurance, Quality Control, Nondestructive Testing, Civil Testing and Calibration services to various manufacturing, construction and nuclear power generation facilities. We are headquartered in Buffalo and mainly serve the Western and Central New York State regions.

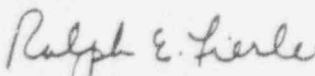
Recently, Quality Inspection Services submitted a proposal to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission for a service contract as described on the following page. This proposal covers a work scope which we are well qualified to execute. We will no doubt compete for this work against similar testing firms from other geographical regions within the United States.

As a Buffalo based company we are respectfully requesting the assistance of your Office in the tracking of the award of this contract. Our ability to successfully compete for this work will mean continued employment for Western New York residents and further the interests of small business in our area.

We would be pleased to provide any additional information that may assist you in this effort.

Sincerely,
Quality Inspection Services, Inc.


John E. Sisson
President


Ralph E. Fierle
Vice President

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OFFERORS:

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL NO. RS-NRR-94-029 ENTITLED "TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE IN SUPPORT OF THE NRC MOBILE NONDESTRUCTIVE EXAMINATION LABORATORY"

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is soliciting proposals for the project entitled above. The full scope of work anticipated is as set forth in Part I, Schedule.


This requirement is a 100% Small Business Set-Aside.

The solicitation package is enclosed. If you desire to respond, your proposal should address the proposal requirements set forth in Section L of the solicitation. All proposals will be evaluated against the evaluation criteria shown in Part IV, Section M.

NOTE: The Division of Contracts and Property Management is planning to relocate to the NRC's new building at Two White Flint North, 11545 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD 20852 on May 2, 1994. A solicitation amendment will be issued prior to the date set for receipt of proposals informing offerors of the new point of contact (POC) phone number and handcarried and mailing addresses. If in doubt where to send or have your offer delivered, offerors should call the solicitation POC at least one week prior to the week of May 2, 1994.

If you have any questions concerning the requirements of this solicitation, please contact Stephen Pool, Contract Negotiator, on (301) 492-7330 (collect calls will not be accepted).

Sincerely,


Mary H. Mace
Contracting Officer

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CONGRESSIONAL CORRESPONDENCE SYSTEM
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8. COMMENTS
