



December 21, 2022

To: RFP Respondents

RE: Four (4) firms to provide all required professional engineering services for:

**Department of Engineering
and Public Works**

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**Construction Materials Testing, Geotechnical Engineering and
Inspection Professional Continuing Services Contract
Project No. 2023050**

Dear Consultant:

This letter serves to advise that the following teams will present to the Selection Committee: **GFA International, Inc. (dba) Universal Engineering Sciences, Nutting Engineers of Florida, Inc., Pacifica Engineering Services, LLC, RADISE International, LC and Thomas Geotechnical Services, LLC**

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**Palm Beach County
Board of County
Commissioners**

Robert S. Weinroth, Mayor
Gregg K. Weiss, Vice Mayor
Maria G. Marino
Dave Kerner
Maria Sachs
Melissa McKinlay
Mack Bernard

The Short List meeting for the project will not take place because only the above mentioned five teams were responsive to the RFP.

The following teams were deemed non-responsive to the solicitation for the reasons listed:

- **NOVA Engineering and Environmental, LLC** – non-responsive to the mandatory EBO API (see attached compliance review)
- **Professional Service Industries, Inc. (PSI)** – non-responsive to the mandatory EBO API (see attached compliance review)

County Administrator

Verdenia C. Baker

Per the Notice advertised for this project. *“Consultants interested in this project are required to furnish one original (bound) and one electronic version (PDF format) of their proposal no later than 4:00 P.M., November 1, 2022” and “The APIs for this solicitation are: 20% Minimum Mandatory SBE & MBE Evaluation Preference for African American owned firms. Ordinance References: 2-80.27(3)(e) & 2-80.27(4)(b)”.*

Per the Palm Beach County Code Section 2-80.20 – 2-80.40 (EBO Ordinance) in section 2-80.27(3)(e) *“In the absence of a waiver granted by the Office of EBO, failure of a Prime Contractor to commit as required in the solicitation to satisfying the SBE subcontracting goal shall render its response non-Responsive.”*

*“An Equal Opportunity
Affirmative Action Employer”*



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Shortlist Committee Results

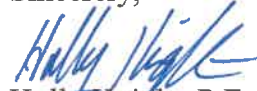
Consultants are hereby notified of the "Cone of Silence" requirements pursuant to Palm Beach County Lobbyist Registration Ordinance 2003-055 (Palm Beach County Code 2-351 through 2-358). In addition, it is recommended that all design professionals seeking to provide services to Palm Beach County review Policies and Procedures Manual (PPM) CW-F-067 "Evaluating, Recovering and Recording Errors/Omissions by a Design Professional", which can be found at www.co.palm-beach.fl.us/publicaffairs/ppm/pdf/cw-f-067.pdf

This letter along with the summary spreadsheet of teams and OEBO compliance review letter will be posted at: <http://discover.pbcgov.org/engineering/roadwayproductions/Pages/Roadway-Publications.aspx>.

Thank you for your submittal and we encourage you to respond to future RFP's.

The Short Listed firms will be notified under separate cover of their presentation time. Should you have any questions or require additional information, please contact me at 561-684-4150 or email me at HKnight@pbcgov.org

Sincerely,


Holly Knight, P.E.
Contracts Section Manager

Enc: Summary Spreadsheet of Teams
OEBO Compliance Review Letter

ec: Patrick Rutter, Assistant County Administrator
David L. Ricks, P.E., County Engineer
Joanne M. Keller, P.E., Deputy County Engineer
Steven B. Carrier, P.E., Assistant County Engineer
Morton L. Rose, P.E., Director, Roadway Production
Kathleen O. Farrell, P.E., Assistant Director, Roadway Production
Maroun Azzi, P.E., Thoroughfare Roads Section Manager, Roadway Production
Will Carey, P.E., Special Projects Section Manager, Roadway Production
Kristine Frazell-Smith, P.E., Local Roads Section Manager, Roadway Production
Motasem Al-Turk, P.E., Director, Traffic Division
Albert Hoffman, Director, Construction Coordination
Scott Cantor, Director, Land Development Division
Angela Smith, Compliance Specialist, OEBO
Tiffany Thomas, Office of the Inspector General
Yelizaveta B. Herman, Assistant County Attorney
Fay Reynolds, Legal Secretary, County Attorney
CCNA File

OEBO PARTICIPATION EVALUATION FORM

DATE SENT: 12/8/2022	CONTRACTS MANAGER: Holly Knight, P.E.
PROJECT NUMBER: 2023050	PROJECT NAME: Construction Materials Testing, Geotechnical Engineering, and Inspection on a CSA Basis
USER DEPARTMENT: ENGINEERING	USER DEPARTMENT CONTACT:
OEBO RECOMMENDED API: 20% Min. Mandatory SBE & MBE Evaluation Preference for African-American-owned firms.	

EVALUATE INFORMATION, MAKE DETERMINATIONS, SIGN, DATE AND RETURN BY:

KEY(S) FOR DETERMINATIONS:

- (1) YES
- (2) NO
- (3) NOT APPLICABLE

The solicitation listed above has been opened and requires your evaluation. Attached are copies of the OEBO Schedules, as applicable. When applicable, bidders who are deemed non-responsive to the OEBO Mandatory Minimum Goal(s) are non-responsive to the solicitation requirements.

Respondents with an * did not submit OEBO schedules.

RESPONDENTS	RESPONDENT IS A CERTIFIED S/M/WBE	RESPONDENT IS RESPONSIVE	PERCENTAGE OF S/M/WBE UTILIZATION	PERCENTAGE OF MBE (AA) UTILIZATION	POINTS
GFA International, Inc. d/b/a Universal Engineering Services	2	1	40%	0%	0
NOVA Engineering and Environmental, LLC	2	2	15%	15%	2
Nutting Engineers of Florida, Inc.	2	1	20%	20%	3
Pacifica Engineering Services, LLC	1	1	100%	100%	15
Professional Service Industries, Inc. (PSI)	2	2	15%	0%	0
RADISE International, L.C.	2	1	25%	25%	4
Thomas Geotechnical Services, LLC	1	1	100%	15%	2

REMARKS: Please see all evaluation remarks on the corresponding pages.

Reviewed By: Angela Smith

Signature: 

Date: 12/8/22

Approved by: Allen Gray

Signature: 

Date: 12/14/2022

	Certification Status	Expiration Date	Percentage	
Prime Respondent: GFA International Inc. d/b/a Universal Engineering Sciences	<i>Non-SBE</i>	N/A	60%	
Sub consultant Name				Points
Thomas Geotechnical	<i>MBE - HI</i>	5/3/2025	40%	0
TOTAL SBE PARTICIPATION			40%	
TOTAL MBE-AA			0%	

Evaluation Comments:

GFA International, Inc. d/b/a Universal Engineering Sciences is responsive to the mandatory requirements. There were no African-American-owned firms included as sub-consultants.

	Certification Status	Expiration Date	Percentage	
Prime Respondent: NOVA Engineering and Environmental, LLC	<i>Non-SBE</i>	N/A	75%	
Sub consultant Name				Points
Pacifica Engineering	<i>MBE - HI</i>	5/3/2025	15%	2
AREHNA Engineering	<i>Non-SBE</i>	N/A	10%	
TOTAL SBE PARTICIPATION			15%	
TOTAL MBE-AA			15%	

Evaluation Comments:

NOVA Engineering and Environmental, LLC is non-responsive to the mandatory requirements. AREHNA is not a certified SBE under the PBC EBO program.

	Certification Status	Expiration Date	Percentage	
Prime Respondent: Nutting Engineers of Florida, Inc.	<i>Non-SBE</i>	N/A	80%	
Sub consultant Name				Points
Pacifica Engineering	<i>MBE - BL</i>	10/24/2024	20%	3
TOTAL SBE PARTICIPATION			20%	
TOTAL MBE-AA			20%	

Evaluation:

Nutting Engineers of Florida, Inc. is responsive to the mandatory API. The evaluation points are above.

	Certification Status	Expiration Date	Percentage	
Prime Respondent: Pacifica Engineering Services, LLC	<i>MBE - BL</i>	10/24/2024	100%	
Sub consultant Name				Points
Pacifica Engineering Services, LLC	<i>MBE - BL</i>	10/24/2024	100%	15
TOTAL SBE PARTICIPATION			100%	
TOTAL MBE-AA			100%	

Evaluation:

Pacifica Engineering Services, LLC is an EBO Certified S/MBE African-American-owned firm. They have submitted that they will be self-performing. They are responsive to the mandatory requirements. The evaluation points are above.

	Certification Status	Expiration Date	Percentage	
Prime Respondent: Professional Service Industries, Inc. (PSI)	<i>Non-SBE</i>	N/A	70%	
Sub consultant Name				Points
Absolute Civil Engineering Solutions, LLC	<i>Non-SBE</i>	N/A	15%	0
Thomas Geotechnical	<i>MBE - HI</i>	5/3/2025	15%	
TOTAL SBE PARTICIPATION			15%	
TOTAL MBE-AA			0%	

Evaluation:

Professional Service Industries, Inc. (PSI) is non-responsive to the mandatory requirements. Absolute Civil Engineering is not a certified SBE under the PBC EBO program.

	Certification Status	Expiration Date	Percentage	
Prime Respondent: RADISE International, L.C.	<i>Non-SBE</i>	N/A	75%	
Sub consultant Name				Points
Pacifica Engineering	<i>MBE - BL</i>	10/24/2024	25%	4
TOTAL SBE PARTICIPATION			25%	
TOTAL MBE-AA			25%	

Evaluation:

RADISE International L.C. is responsive to the mandatory API. The evaluation points are above.

	Certification Status	Expiration Date	Percentage	
Prime Respondent: Thomas Geotechnical Services, LLC	<i>MBE - HI</i>	5/3/2025	75%	<i>85%</i>
Sub consultant Name				Points
Pacifica Engineering	<i>MBE - BL</i>	10/24/2024	15%	2
TOTAL SBE PARTICIPATION			100%	
TOTAL MBE-AA			15%	

Evaluation:

Thomas Geotechnical Services, LLC is an EBO Certified S/MBE Hispanic-American-owned firm. They have submitted that they will be self-performing a percentage along with an EBO-certified S/MBE African-American-owned firm. They are responsive to the mandatory requirements. The evaluation points are above.

SHORTLIST CONSULTANT SUMMARY

Four Firms to Provide: Professional Engineering Consulting Services for
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Meeting Date: N/A

Meeting Time: N/A

TEAM				LOCATION		EBO			VOLUME OF PREVIOUS WORK (\$)			
Team Members	Services Provided	% Work on Project	Notes	% Work in PBC	Points (3 max)	SBE	PBC MBE (AA)	FL M/WBE	Points (17 max)	Fee Considered	Pro-Rated Fee*	Points (10 max)
<u>GFA International, Inc. (dba) Universal Engineering Sciences</u>	6.01, 6.06, 7.07	60%	10	60%	<u>3</u>				<u>2</u>	\$103,524	\$62,114	<u>10</u>
Thomas Geotechnical Services, LLC	6.01, 6.06, 7.07	40%	1	40%		40.0		40.0		\$0	\$0	
		100%		100%		40.0%	0.0%	40.0%			\$62,114	
							0	2				
<u>NOVA Engineering and Environmental, LLC</u>	6.01, 6.06, 7.07	75%	4, 7, 10	0%	<u>0</u>				<u>4</u>	\$0	\$0	<u>10</u>
AREHNA Engineering, Inc.	6.01, 6.06	10%	7	0%				10.0		\$0	\$0	
Pacifica Engineering Services, LLC	6.01, 6.06, 7.07	15%	1, 7	15%		15.0	15.0	15.0		\$570,234	\$85,535	
* - NOVA Engineering and Environmental, LLC is non-responsive to the SBE mandatory requirements.		100%		15%		15.0%	15.0%	25.0%			\$85,535	
							2	2				
<u>Nutting Engineers of Florida, Inc.</u>	6.01, 6.06, 7.07	80%		80%	<u>3</u>				<u>5</u>	\$115,734	\$92,587	<u>8</u>
Pacifica Engineering Services, LLC	6.01, 6.06, 7.07	20%	1, 7	20%		20.0	20.0	20.0		\$570,234	\$114,047	
		100%		100%		20.0%	20.0%	20.0%			\$206,634	
							3	2				

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Meeting Date: N/A

Meeting Time: N/A

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<u>Pacifica Engineering Services, LLC</u>	6.01, 6.06, 7.07	100%	1	100%	<u>3</u>	100.0	100.0	100.0	<u>17</u>	\$570,234	\$570,234	<u>6</u>	
						100.0%	100.0%	100.0%					
		100%		100%			15	2					\$570,234
<u>Professional Service Industries, Inc. (PSI)</u>	6.01, 6.06, 7.07	70%	4, 7, 10	0%	<u>0</u>				<u>2</u>	\$0	\$0	<u>10</u>	
Absolute Civil Engineering Solutions, LLC	6.01, 6.06, 7.07	15%	7	0%				15.0			\$0		\$0
Thomas Geotechnical Services, LLC	6.06, 7.07	15%	1	15%		15.0		15.0			\$0		\$0
<i>* - Professional Service Industries, Inc. (PSI) is non-responsive to the SBE mandatory requirements.</i>		100%		15%		15.0%	0.0%	30.0%					\$0
						0	2						
<u>RADISE International, LC</u>	6.01, 6.06, 7.07	75%	7	75%	<u>3</u>				<u>6</u>	\$432,554	\$324,415	<u>7</u>	
Pacifica Engineering Services, LLC	6.01, 6.06, 7.07	25%	1	25%		25.0	25.0	25.0			\$570,234		\$142,558
		100%		100%		25.0%	25.0%	25.0%					\$466,974
						4	2						
<u>Thomas Geotechnical Services, LLC</u>	6.01, (6.02, 6.03), 6.06, 7.07	85%	1, 2	85%	<u>3</u>	85.0		85.0	<u>4</u>	\$0	\$0	<u>10</u>	
Pacifica Engineering Services, LLC	6.06	15%		15%		15.0	15.0	15.0			\$570,234		\$85,535
<i>* - Thomas Geotechnical Services listed 6.02 and 6.03, which are unrequested services on the summary page.</i>		100%		100%		100.0%	15.0%	100.0%					\$85,535
							2	2					

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<u>Prime Categories</u>	<u>Subcategories</u>	<u>Notes</u>
6.01 (Geological and Geophysical Studies)	7.07 (Threshold Inspection)	* - Pro Rated Fee = Previous Work Amount multiplied by the % of work on the project
6.06 (Materials Testing)		1 - Prime and Sub on different teams
		2 - Unrequested Service
		3 - Incomplete Team
		4 - Did not meet mandatory EBO requirement
		5 - Prime is doing less than 50% of the work
		6 - Prime does not have at least one prime category
		7 - Errors or Blanks on Questionnaires or Forms Missing
		8 - Not registered in VSS
		9 - SF 330 Missing or Incomplete
		10 - Blanks or "TBD" on Summary Chart at End of Letter
		11 - Not CCNA Certified in a category they propose to provide