

**CEC**  
**CIVIL ENGINEERING CONSULTANTS, INC.**  
Civil & Environmental Engineering

August 30, 2024

Mr. Andrew Penick  
Purchasing Manager  
Hall County  
2875 Browns Bridge Road, 4th Floor  
Gainesville, GA 30504

RE: IFB #026-45 Hall County – Spout Springs Water Reclamation Facility Expansion to 1.6 MGD  
Letter of Recommendation

Dear Mr. Penick:

Hall County received and opened two Bids at 2:00 PM on Thursday, August 29, 2024 for the Spout Springs Water Reclamation Facility Expansion to 1.6 MGD project (IFB #026-45). The bids received were as follows:

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| 1. Lakeshore Engineering, LLC.      | \$20,972,000.00 |
| 2. IHC Construction Companies, LLC. | \$22,012,531.00 |

A copy of the Bid Tabulation is attached for your use. The low bidder, Lakeshore Engineering, submitted a proper 5% Bid Bond, prepared by Berkley Insurance Company, which is listed as an approved surety on the U.S. Treasury Circular 570.

CEC and the County followed protocol during the bidding phase from advertisement through the bid opening. CEC has worked with Lakeshore Engineering over the past several years on various water and sewer projects including a \$21 million new water reclamation facility in the City of Jefferson that is almost complete (approximately 80%) plus \$5 million in owner purchased equipment. There have been no change orders. We are recommending Lakeshore Engineering be awarded the contract for the Spout Springs Water Reclamation Facility Expansion to 1.6 MGD Project in the amount of \$20,972,000.00.

Very truly yours,  
CIVIL ENGINEERING CONSULTANTS, Inc.



Andrew E. Lovejoy, P.E.  
President

Cc: Bill Nash, Public Works & Utility Director, Hall County  
Bill King, Assistant Public Works & Utility Director, Hall County

Attachment: Bid Tabulation and Summary

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