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Mr. Richard Peterson **Utilities Director** City of Fairhope PO Box 429 Fairhope, AL 36533

RE:

Bid Number 018-19 Bayou Dr, Fairway Blvd, Fairhope Ave Transmission System—Part #2 Project No. SEW002-18 Waterway Collection and Transmission System Improvements.

Bid Recommendation

Mr. Peterson:

Dewberry has reviewed the bids for the above referenced project and can certify that the arithmetic associated with the values provide is true and correct as presented in the attached bid tabulation form. There were some arithmetic errors as outlined in the attached bid tabulation and there were multiple options that were provided to bid on, some of which were not utilized. These options were provided in an effort to provide the highest value of work for the City of Fairhope.

In the bid review process the lowest responsible and responsive bidder was determined to be Boan Contracting Company, Inc. out of Fairhope, Alabama. In the review of the bid a single line item in the bid was found to be unbalanced from the other similar pay items included in the bid submission. Upon fining of the unbalanced unit price your office, the respective low bidder and the Alabama Office of Public Audit who provides clarifications on Title 39 bid law were made aware of the line item of the issue and the following options were provided to the low bidder:

- 1. The contractor could be awarded the project and perform the work as priced.
- 2. The contractor has the option to with draw their bid due to error with no penalty according to the statue 39-2-11, d of the state bid law.

Once notified the contractor subsequently notified Dewberry Engineers, Inc. that they would elect to NOT withdraw their bid, stating reasons being that an error on their part should not result in the City of Fairhope paying additional money, and the fact that they have never withdrawn a bid in the past and do not want to do so now. Being that they are Fairhope residents they have a vested interest in this work going well.

Dewberry Engineers, Inc. has worked with Boan Contracting in previous contracts for other municipalities and has found them to be highly qualified, reputable and capable of completing this work. With all of the above being clearly stated it would be the recommendation of Dewberry Engineers, Inc. that Fairhope award the above mentioned project to Boan Contracting Company, Inc. in the amount of \$2,149,421.08. Should you have any questions or require any further information please let me know.

Sincerely,

Dewberry Engineers Inc.

Andrew N. Bobe, P.E.

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