



# ST. CHARLES PARISH

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PARISH PRESIDENT

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DIRECTOR

September 26, 2023

TO: Andrew Bennett, President  
Omega Foundation Services, Inc.  
1103 Hwy 19, Slaughter, LA 70777  
License Number: 69770

RE: P210202 Primrose Canal Cleaning and Improvements – Phase 1A  
Bid Extension Request Letter

Mr. Bennett,

The Supplemental Instructions to Bidders, St. Charles Parish Specification Section SCP-E-00100, states the following regarding Bid Security, “The Bid Security of any Bidder whom Owner believes to have a reasonable chance of receiving the award may be retained by Owner until the forty-sixth (46<sup>th</sup>) day after the bid opening.” The section also states, “The Owner and the Lowest Responsible Bidder may mutually agree in writing to extend the deadline for award by one or more extensions of thirty (30) calendar days.”

The bid opening for the abovementioned project was held on Tuesday, August 15, 2023, and therefore the forty-sixth (46<sup>th</sup>) day after the bid opening will be Saturday, September 30, 2023, and the St. Charles Parish and Omega Foundation Services, Inc. have yet to enter into a contract as of Tuesday, September 26, 2023.


Per LA R.S. 38:2215.B., “If the lowest responsible and responsive bidder has timely provided all documents required by R.S. 38:2212, and no injunction or temporary restraining order is in effect, the lowest responsible and responsive bidder and the public entity shall execute the contract not later than sixty calendar days after the date of the public entity’s award of the contract to the lowest responsible and responsive bidder.” However, a temporary restraining order was issued by Judge Connie M. Aucoin of the 29<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Court on September 1, 2023. Although the temporary restraining order was vacated on September 25, 2023, St. Charles Parish anticipates an appellate writ will be taken in the near future on the Court’s recent rulings.

Based on the dates listed above, St. Charles Parish is requesting an extension of the deadline for award by thirty (30) calendar days. This extension would bring the deadline to Sunday, October 29, 2023. This request is subject to Omega Foundation Services, Inc. honoring their bid of Two Million, Seven Hundred Fifty-Seven Thousand Dollars (\$2,757,000.00).

If Omega Foundation Services, Inc. agrees to extend the deadline for the award, please sign this letter below and return to my office at 100 River Oaks Drive, Destrehan, Louisiana, 70047. An electronic version can be emailed to [aford@stcharlesgov.net](mailto:aford@stcharlesgov.net).

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Andre Ford or myself at 985-783-5102, Monday through Thursday 7:30am to 4:30pm.

Sincerely,

  
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Miles B. Bingham, P.E.

Director, St. Charles Parish Department of Public Works

  
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Andrew Bennett

President, Omega Foundation Services, Inc.

cc:

*Lee Zeringue, P.E. – Senior Parish Engineer, Department of Public Works (SCP)*

*Andre R. Ford, P.E. – Engineer II, Department of Public Works (SCP)*

*Dax Douet, P.E. – Project Engineer, C. H. Fenstermaker & Associates, LLC*