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"A Cut Above the Rest"

February 24, 2011

Mr. Michael Rohal, Borough Administrator Borough of Glen Ridge New Jersey 825 Bloomfield Avenue Glen Ridge, New Jersey 07028

RE: Maintenance of Athletic Fields for 2011 Calendar Year Project Bid Bid Opening – Wednesday 02/24/2011 @ 11:00am

Dear Mr. Rohal:

I am in receipt of the Bid Tabulation from your office, for the above referenced bid opening today. Please be advised, after careful review of all the bids submitted today, I would like to bring to your attention the following information. The apparent low bidder, Andy Matt, Inc. has submitted a bid (\$21,260.00) which is approximately 45% lower than our bid. Our bid submitted at (\$39,500.00), was the next or 2nd. Lowest & Most Responsible bid submitted to the Borough of Glen Ridge for the following reasons.

The specified materials cost as submitted by Grass Roots Turf Products for this project was carefully estimated at the cost of almost \$20,000.00. You can contact Mr. Gene Huelster, at Grass Roots Sports Turf Division, to verify the same. (See attached)

In addition, we have completed many projects like this one; we have the top of the line equipment and experienced manpower for this type of work, as you can review the attached experience and current customer references which was provided with our bid.

At this time, I am requesting a mutually convenient time to meet with you and Mr. James Cowan, Director of Parks & Recreation for the Borough of Glen Ridge to discuss the realistic Labor and Materials that are required to complete this project in a professional manor and within your appropriated budget.

Sincerely.

Jasob Lembo, Managing Member

Attachment

Sent Via Facsimile (973) 748-3926

Jason.

Below is the total for the products according to the Glen ridge specs. I used 10 acres at a working number. When you are putting it in per field you will have to divide that number by the acreage according to the spec.

Step 1:

- 750 lbs of Trifecta 2 ryegrass seed-15 bags x \$57.50 per bag= \$862.50
- 10-20-15 all mineral 1% Fe-83 bags x \$18.45 per bag= \$1531.35

Step 2:

- 1000 lbs of Trifecta 2 ryegrass sees-20 bags x \$57.50 per bag= \$1150.00
- 22-0-3 w/2% Fe and 2%Mg-40 bags x \$16.50 per bag= \$660.00

Step 3:

- 1500 lbs of Trifecta 2 ryegrass-30 bags x \$57.50 per bag= \$1725.00
- 22-0-22-40 bags x \$48.20 x 40= \$1928.00
- Drive XLR8- 10(64 oz) containers needed x \$92.00= \$920.00
- Millennium Ultra 2= \$225.00

Step 4:

Acclaim Extra= less than 2 gallons needed= \$1136.00 for 2- 1 gallon containers

Step 5:

- 2000 lbs of Trifecta 2 ryegrass-20 bags x \$57.50 per bag= \$1150.00
- 22-0-22-40 bags x \$48.20= \$1928.00

Step 6:

- 22-0-22-40 bags x \$48.20= \$1928.00
- 1000 lbs of Trifecta 2 ryegrass seed- 20 bags x \$57.50 per bag= \$1150.00

Step 7:

1500 lbs of Trifecta 2 ryegrass seed- 30 bags x \$57.50 per bag= \$1725.00

Step 8:

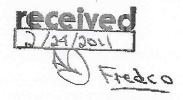
22-0-3 w/ 2% Fe and 2% Mg-40 bags x \$16.50 per bag= \$660.00

Alternate 1:

• 10 acres of Merit 2.5 cases x \$200.00= \$450.00(\$45.00 per acre)

Let me know if you have any questions.

Gene Huelster Lawn & Sports Turf Grass Roots Turf Products (O) 973/252/5455 (C)551/486/3077 (F)973/252/2881 \$ 19,128.85





February 10, 2011

Dear New Jersey Leader:

In my first letter of the new year, I would like to acknowledge the partnerships and mutual support that helped everyone during a very challenging 2010 and are paving the way for a successful 2011. There's a lot we can be proud of and it's a great time to offer an update on issues and items important to our company, customers and communities.

Reducing gas bills for residential customers by another 5 percent

In December 2010, PSE&G lowered residential gas bills by an additional 5 percent, or nearly \$10 per month for the typical residential customer. This latest reduction for supply costs follows a 5 percent reduction in July and a 6.8 percent reduction in September for residential gas customers. Including this most recent reduction, we have lowered gas bills a total of approximately 31 percent – or about \$500 annually – since January 2009, when wholesale prices started to drop. Today, our customers are paying the same supply rate per therm of gas as they did in January 2003. Under the new gas supply rates, a residential gas heating customer who uses 160 therms in a winter month, or 1,050 therms per year, will see a bill decrease of \$64.68 on an annual basis, for a total bill of \$1,221.08. This customer's monthly winter bill will be \$184.91, or \$9.86 lower. As we've emphasized before, we make no profit on the sale of natural gas and pass along what we pay to customers.

There is good news on the electric front as well. As a result of the recent Basic Generation Service Auction that concluded this week, PSE&G's residential customers will see a 5 percent decrease in their summer bills starting June 1, and a 3.5 percent average reduction on an annual basis. Depending on their usage, large industrial and commercial customers who pay hourly rates should also see a reduction in their bills. I'll provide additional information in my next update.

Offering assistance to customers who need help paying utility bills

A record number of our customers are having difficulty paying their utility bill, so we continue to encourage everyone to see if they are eligible for help this winter. Those who recently lost their jobs or are working fewer hours because of the economic downturn, may now qualify for assistance programs. The federal Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) has allocated \$120 million to New Jersey to help low income households pay their winter heating bills. Individuals and families may now apply; applications will be accepted until April 30, 2011. Those who received LIHEAP benefits last year are urged to complete the recertification application to ensure they receive benefits this year as well. We are partnering with state government and community-based organizations in an extensive effort to ensure that much-needed assistance reaches every eligible person. Applications and information about these programs are available on www.pseg.com/help.

Keeping the economy going with stimulus work

PSE&G recently asked the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (BPU) for approval to invest an additional \$78 million to enhance our gas distribution facilities over a 12-month period beginning next May. The additional investment expands our commitment to boost New Jersey's economy and create jobs

for the state. If approved, this expansion of the capital stimulus program, started in 2009, would result in a total investment of \$351 million in gas infrastructure projects over the three-year period of May 2009 through May 2012. This additional investment will allow the utility to accelerate the time frame of planned capital projects. This new work is expected to generate 167 incremental jobs in New Jersey, as well as additional work for material and equipment suppliers. If approved, the proposed new stimulus program would increase a typical residential gas heating customer's bill by \$2.44 a year.

Winning the ReliablityOne Award again

We're humble but proud. PSE&G received the ReliabilityOne Award for the Mid-Atlantic Region for our 2009 reliability results. It's the ninth time we have won the regional award. Winning this recognition year after year — and the national award four times in six years — is an outstanding achievement, and a testament to the hard work and dedication of our employees. Ensuring our electric system operates as reliably and efficiently as possible is a 24/7 job, and our commitment to providing customers with the electricity they need to power their homes and businesses never wavers. I'd also like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who supports the work we do and plays a major role in helping us keep our transmission and distribution systems up and running on a daily basis as well as during emergencies. As you know, the winter so far has been a challenge — and I appreciate your support as our employees deal with numerous storms.

Staying warm and safe this winter

As the temperatures drop, we continue our campaign to share energy-saving tips with customers so they can stay warm and manage their costs. Our Web site – www.pseg.com – is full of good information, and we've added several videos to our YouTube channel that demonstrate great ways to save this winter. Please check them out at http://www.youtube.com/psegvideo.

I also encourage you to please call or send an email at <u>Ralph.LaRossa@pseg.com</u> if you would like to discuss any of the topics in this letter. Your feedback about matters important to you and the people and businesses you represent are important to us.

In addition to issues affecting utility customers, there are a number of initiatives happening on the electricity generation front that will impact our state. During the next week or so, please keep an eye out for an update letter from Bill Levis, my counterpart at PSEG Power.

May you and your families have a healthy, safe and successful 2011.

Sincerely,



BOROUGH OF HAWTHORNE

County of Passaic State of New Jersey



RESOLUTION NO. 46-11

Resolution, Introduced by Council Person Councilman Mele

Date February 16, 2011

RESOLUTION REQUESTING THAT THE PASSAIC VALLEY SEWERAGE COMMISSIONERS RETURN COST SAVINGS TO MUNICIPALITIES SERVED BY THE SEWERAGE SYSTEM

WHEREAS, Passaic Valley Sewerage Commissioners ("PVSC") operate a sewage treatment system that serves, and is funded via user charges paid by, forty-eight municipalities in Passaic, Bergen, Essex and Hudson Counties; and

WHEREAS, from 2005 until 2011, the amounts assessed by the PVSC to the municipalities served by the system have increased approximately 50%; and

WHEREAS, the Governor of New Jersey and the current Executive Director of the PVSC have taken recent actions to reduce salaries, eliminate unnecessary employees, and otherwise eliminate waste and mismanagement within the organization, and

WHEREAS, these actions should save the PVSC millions of dollars annually; and

WHEREAS, the PVSC established assessments to be charged to the municipalities served by the system for 2011 before the recent actions to effect savings; and

WHEREAS, yet additional savings may found as the review of the organization's operations continues; and

WHEREAS, municipalities throughout New Jersey, including those served by the PVSC, are struggling to live within a 2% tax levy cap;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Hawthorne, that the Passaic Valley Sewerage Commissioners should take whatever steps are necessary to put a tally on the savings realized by the cost-cutting actions thus far, apportion that savings among the municipalities served by the system, reduce the 2011 assessments accordingly, and issue the revised billing before the date by which municipalities must approve their 2011 budgets;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the PVSC continue its efforts to improvement management and eliminate waste in order to provide further relief to the municipalities for 2012 and beyond;

Name	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Bennett			X			
Bertollo			X			
Lane			X			
Matthews			X			
Mele	X		X			
Sinning			X			
Wojtecki		X	X			

Frank Matthews, Council President

Susan Witkowski, RMC, Borough Clerk

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Name / Title / Date

Borough Attorney

Date

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Governor and the Legislature of the State of New Jersey take whatever actions may be reasonable and/or necessary to ensure that the PVSC can and does take the actions requested in this resolution;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be forwarded to Governor Chris Christie, Senator John Girgenti, Assemblywoman Nellie Pou, Assemblywoman Elease Evans, the Secretary of the New Jersey Senate, the Clerk of the New Jersey Assembly, the New Jersey State League of Municipalities, the New Jersey Conference of Mayors and the Clerks of all municipalities served by the PVSC.