



STATE of CONNECTICUT
Office of Governmental Accountability
State Contracting Standards Board

Contested Solicitations and Awards Subcommittee
Virtual Meeting: April 10, 2025 at 3:00 p.m.

In attendance:

Rochelle Palache, SCSB Chair

Stuart Mahler, Chair of the Contested Solicitations and Awards Subcommittee

Jean Morningstar, Member of the Contested Solicitations and Awards Subcommittee

Aaron Felman, Staff Attorney

Aleshia Hall, Administrative Assistant

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On April 10, 2025, the Contested Solicitations and Awards Subcommittee met virtually for the purpose of reviewing a contest of award of contract 24PSX0244 received from Lighting Services Inc. on March 20, 2025. Chair Mahler initiated the meeting at 3:02 p.m.

Documentation received from Lighting Services, Inc. and the response received from the Department of Administrative Services (DAS) were discussed. The vendor claims that they received and followed instruction from a DAS representative; however, their bid was denied on that same information. Ms. Morningstar would like to hear from DAS to confirm or deny that their representative provided the vendor with that instruction. Based upon that response, the subcommittee should reconvene to discuss the decision.

Upon preliminary review, Chair Mahler is inclined to favor on behalf of DAS. Ms. Morningstar would prefer to seek clarification from DAS representatives and the vendor at the hearing scheduled for April 15, 2025 before rendering a decision.

At the request of Chair Mahler and the subcommittee members, Staff Attorney Felman assist with drafting a proposed resolution prior to the vendor hearing that can be adapted to reflect the outcome.

The meeting adjourned at 3:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Administrative Assistant