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West Virginia Division of Juvenile Services
WV Industrial Home for Youth
7 Industrial Blvd
Industrial, WV 26375

RE: Expression of Interest - Architectural/Engineering Services
Jones Building Renovations
RFQ: DJS010239

The firm of **Blackwood Associates, Inc. (BAI) / MSES Consultants, Inc. (MSES)** is pleased to provide the enclosed qualifications and supporting information for Architectural and Engineering services on the Jones Building Renovations at the Industrial Home for Youth in Industrial, West Virginia.

Blackwood Associates, Inc. is an Architectural and Planning firm located in Fairmont, WV. Incorporated, **BAI** has successfully completed over \$550 million in construction projects in the last 20 years. **MSES Consultants, Inc.**, is an engineering firm located in Clarksburg, West Virginia, providing all engineering disciplines. The two firms have merged operations to become the largest full service architectural/engineering provider in West Virginia.

The **BAI/MSES** firm offers a combined professional staff of over 80 people, with registered architects, engineers and a diverse roster of professionals, scientists, technicians and support personnel. **BAI/MSES** is a single source consultant that can provide all professional disciplines for any project the Division of Juvenile Services may require. All professional services will be managed and performed by full-time, in-house personnel out of the Fairmont and Clarksburg offices.

The **BAI/MSES** firm practice is based upon the philosophy of comprehensive service, providing our clients with a single point of responsibility. By bringing architecture, interior design, engineering, environmental, and management services together in a single firm, we ensure efficient and effective service. Conceptually, we believe that the building sciences of architecture and engineering cannot be separated. This is especially true when dealing with the multiple disciplines that will be required to complete the Jones Building Renovations project.

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Our firm strives to add value to a project contract by arriving at a complete understanding of clients' goals and objectives. This type of approach fosters an environment that leads to the successful achievement of our clients' goals on all assignments we undertake. Our performance can best be measured by our long-standing client relationships, some of which have lasted for more than 30 years.

BAI/MSES is a provider of the total array of architectural, engineering, design, and project management services. In addition, we can offer environmental and hygienist services where needed. Another advantage to our firm, **BAI/MSES** has developed websites which are used during various phases of project development, making Owner document review much more efficient. This technology has also been proven to increase the interest of contractors and suppliers during bidding, especially for state-wide type projects. During construction site photographic panoramas can also be made available online for Owner review.

Please feel free to contact me if you should have any question, or if we may provide any additional information for your review and consideration. We look forward to having the opportunity to present our qualifications and approach on a personal basis. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Vendors

FROM: John Abbott, Senior Buyer *JA*
Purchasing Division

RE: DJS010239

DATE: May 31, 2007

The "Expression of Interest" to provide Architectural/Engineering Services for the Industrial Home for Youth will not be scanned on the Internet due to the volume. Vendors may view the "Expression of Interest" at the office of the WV State Purchasing Division, 2019 Washington Street, East, Charleston, WV 25311. You may call me for an appointment at (304) 558-2544, fax: (304)558-4115 or e-mail jabbott@wvadmin.gov.

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