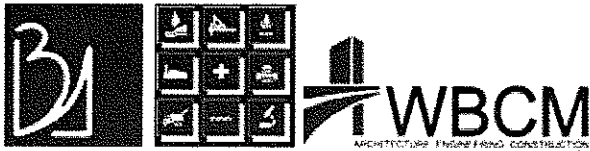


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NOTICE

Due to the size of this bid, it was impractical to scan every page for online viewing. We have made an attempt to scan and publish all pertinent bid information. However, it is important to note that some pages were necessarily omitted.

If you would like to review the bid in its entirety, please contact the buyer. Thank you.



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March 19, 2008

Division of Engineering and Facilities
Camp Dawson Army Training Site
240 Army Road
Kingwood, WV 26537-1077

RE: Expression of Interest - Architectural/Engineering Services
West Virginia Army National Guard
Joint Interagency Education and Training Center
RFQ: #DEFK8180

Blackwood Associates, Inc. (BAI) of Fairmont, WV, **MSES Consultants, Inc. (MSES)** of Clarksburg, WV, and **Whitney, Bailey, Cox & Magnani, LLC (WBCM)** of Baltimore, MD, are pleased to submit this expression of interest in providing professional services for the proposed Joint Interagency Education and Training Center (JIETC) to be located at Camp Dawson in Kingwood, 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.**, an engineering firm located in Clarksburg, West Virginia, will provide mechanical, electrical, civil, site and environmental engineering services for this project. **Blackwood Associates, Inc.** and **MSES Consultants, Inc.** have merged to become the largest full service architectural and engineering provider in West Virginia.

Program development and structural engineering services will be provided by **Whitney, Bailey, Cox & Magnani, LLC (WBCM)** of Baltimore, MD. The **BAI/MSES/WBCM** team offers a combined professional staff of over 270, with registered architects, engineers, and a diverse roster of professionals, scientists, technicians and support staff.

Our 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 new JIETC project.

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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