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West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection
Office of Abandoned Mine Lands and Reclamation
c/o State of West Virginia Department of Administration
Purchasing Division
2019 Washington Street, East
Charleston, WV 25305

*RE: Expression of Interest – Fairmont East Mine / Rachel Refuse Design Services
Requisition # DEP14265*

To Whom It May Concern:

Thrasher Engineering, Inc. is pleased to have the opportunity to submit this expression of interest and qualifications to provide engineering design services for the Fairmont East Mine / Rachel Refuse Design Services Project. Our qualifications as West Virginia's largest full service civil engineering firm will provide the Department of Environmental Protection's Office of Abandoned Mine Lands and Reclamation with quality service in a timely and cost efficient manner.

Following our review of the project, we have developed a thorough understanding of the project needs. With that understanding, we offer the following qualifications that the selection of Thrasher Engineering for this project will bring to the DEP and the Office of Abandoned Mine Lands:

Experience to Meet the Scope of Services: Through our site development department, Thrasher Engineering has provided survey, design and construction management services for site development projects on land which included mine slips. These include the Robert C. Byrd Park in Hardy County and the Harrison County Business and Technology Center and White Oaks Business Park, also in Harrison County. Additionally, we have mapped and designed numerous open channel drainage systems, and provided stream bank protection. As demonstrated in our qualifications, Thrasher Engineering has surveyed, mapped, designed and provided construction management services for more site projects than any other West Virginia engineering firm.

Successful Project Experience with AML: In 2005, we were selected by the DEP to provide engineering design and mapping services for the Amherstdale and Ragland Road AML water line projects in Mingo and Logan Counties. As you are aware, each of these projects was completed on time and is currently at the DEP awaiting final steps prior to construction bid. Additionally we have extensive experience with water line projects in areas that are partially affected by AML; we currently are providing engineering services for two partial AML projects for the Town of Masontown in Preston County.

Project Team: The qualifications of professionals on the team we have assembled to provide design services for this project are unmatched for this type of work. We have 25 engineers on staff, 14 of who are Registered Professional Engineers. Our Environmental Manager, Sheirl Fletcher, has over 20 years of environmental experience with a major coal company, with specific experience in acid mine drainage reclamation. Additionally, Thrasher Engineering offers 15 fully staffed survey crews with experience in mining survey including pre and post subsidence and acid mine drainage.

Location and Area Knowledge: For 25 years, Thrasher Engineering, Inc. has provided top quality engineering services throughout West Virginia, including numerous clients in Marion County. We are located in Clarksburg, only 20 miles from the project site. We will be able to provide immediate response to your needs for this project.

With our experience with AML and drainage projects, our qualified personnel and our expertise, Thrasher Engineering is the right choice for this AML project.

Following the instructions outlined in the RFQ, this proposal contains information regarding Thrasher Engineering's history, qualifications and management and staffing capabilities along with the required DEP /AML Consultant's Confidential Qualifications Questionnaire, and an affidavit stating Thrasher Engineering has no debt owed to the State of West Virginia.

We thank you for your consideration of our qualifications and look forward to the opportunity to present our qualifications and project methodology to you in person.

Sincerely,

THRASHER ENGINEERING, INC.



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