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Mr. John Estep  
Buyer  
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Dear Mr. Estep,

Thank you for the opportunity to present Maher Duessel's proposal to continue to provide accounting consulting service to the West Virginia Department of Transportation (DOT), Division of Highways (DOH), and the State Rail Authority (SRA). (These entities will be collectively referred to as the 'Agencies'.) We have enjoyed working with the Agencies, and we look forward to continuing our relationship with you. Our prior experience working with you makes us exceptionally qualified to continue to perform this engagement. Retaining Maher Duessel will provide the Agencies with several added value benefits as detailed below:

**Firm Overview.** Maher Duessel, a *nationally certified Women's Business Enterprise*, was founded to provide high-caliber auditing, tax, and consulting services to clients in the governmental and non-profit sectors, markets which require an extraordinary degree of education and expertise. As reflected in our mission statement, *Pursuing the Profession While Promoting the Public Good*<sup>®</sup>, we help to support our clients' missions while providing highly specialized, personalized audit and tax services. Since 1989, our passion and commitment has led Maher Duessel to become a leading regional accounting firm with offices in Pittsburgh, Butler, Harrisburg, State College, Erie, and Lancaster.

**Commitment to Governments.** Governments are the very core of our practice, and we possess a significant depth and understanding of the financial accounting and reporting procedures for government entities. We serve a broad range of governments including state entities, counties, municipalities, cities, sewer/water/municipal authorities, and school districts, among others. Our expertise in governmental accounting allows us to efficiently serve our clients, offering maximum insight with minimal disruption. **We work with more than 300 governments, and we serve approximately 30 state agencies. All of our professionals have experience serving governments.**

**Commitment to West Virginia.** We have enjoyed working with the State of West Virginia, and we look forward to continuing our successful service to the Agencies. In addition to our work with you, since February 2016, we have been providing audit preparation assistance and consulting services to the West Virginia Department of Administration. In 2021 we began providing accounting consulting services to Bluefield State College. Other West Virginia entities we audit include the School Building Authority of West Virginia, West Virginia Public Defender Services, State Treasurer's Office Board of Treasury Investments, WorkForce West Virginia, Region VI Workforce Development Board, and the Wheeling Housing Authority. In performing services for the State of West Virginia and our audits of other component units, we are familiar with the State of West Virginia reporting process for component units, and we are well positioned to continue to meet your deadlines. Your proposed Engagement Partner, Jeffrey W. Kent, CPA is a licensed West Virginia CPA.

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