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April 19, 2007

West Virginia Division of Corrections
617 Leon Sullivan Way
Charleston, WV 25301

RE: Expression of Interest - Architectural/Engineering Services
Capital Improvement Projects
RFQ: COR61345

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 future Division of Corrections capital improvement projects throughout 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.

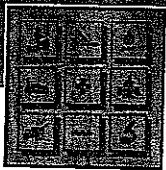
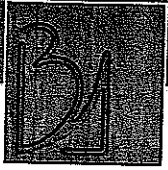
The **BAI/MSES** firm offers a combined professional staff of over 80 people, with registered architects, engineers and a diverse roster of professionals, scientists, technicians and support personnel. **BAI/MSES** is a single source consultant that can provide all professional disciplines for any project the Division of Corrections may require. All aspects of facility needs can 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 project proposed at existing correctional facilities.

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Our firm strives to add value to multiple project contracts by aligning ourselves with a clients' goals and objectives, to enhance their ability to prioritize work. This kind of partnership 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. Many of these relationships involve indefinite delivery type contracts for major capital improvement programs, outlined in this expression of interest.

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 *JAB*
Purchasing Division

RE: COR61345

DATE: April 26, 2007

The "Expression of Interest" to provide Architectural and Engineering services for various projects for the WV Division of Corrections 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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