



March 9, 2023

Mr. Bill Slaughter, Chairman
Lowndes County Board of Commissioners
327 North Ashley Street
Valdosta, GA 31601

Re: New Headquarters for Second Harvest of South Georgia
Valdosta, GA

Dear Chairman Slaughter:

On February 9, 2023, the date set for receipt of bids for the above-referenced project, we received only one bid. This bid was submitted by Quillian Powell Construction Company, Inc. (QPCC). Their base bid price was \$24,565,000. They also provided pricing for numerous alternates. Because their base bid price exceeded Second Harvest's construction budget, the architect, the contractor and the user agency began the process of evaluating deductive alternate prices and deciding which would be accepted. We also began pricing various other value engineered options and now have completed that process, arriving at a construction contract amount of \$21,853,779.00. This amount is acceptable to the user agency and the contractor. We therefore recommend to the Lowndes County Board of Commissioners that you award this project to Quillian Powell Construction Company, Inc. for the contract amount of \$21,853,779.00.

Please let us know if you wish to move forward as recommended above and we will issue a Notice of Award on behalf of the Lowndes County Board of Commissioners. Along with the Notice of Award, we will forward the construction contract to the contractor and ask that it be signed and returned to us, along with various other required documentation including bonds, insurance, schedules, etc. Once we have received and evaluated all of the contractor's required documentation, we will forward it to the county for review, final approval, and the county's signing of the final construction contract. Once we receive signed contracts back from the county, we forward a fully executed contract to the contractor, along with a Notice to Proceed with this project.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or concerns.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'John M. McCall', is written over a white background.

John M. "Mac" McCall, Vice President

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