



Warren County
Water District

January 28, 2020

MR GLEN JOHNSON
CHAIRMAN
WARREN COUNTY WATER DISTRICT
PO BOX 10180
BOWLING GREEN KY 42102-4780

RE: Recommendation for Award
Morgantown Road Area Improvements – Contracts 1 & 2
Warren County Water District

Dear Mr. Johnson:

We have reviewed the bids that were received January 21st, 2020 on the above referenced projects and have performed our due diligence for the two (2) lowest bidders on both projects.

Norris Brothers Excavating (Norris) was the low bidder on Contract 1. Upon review of Norris' references, history, and financial data, it was revealed that the company is involved in active litigation regarding failure to complete two (2) projects successfully. The bid submitted was unbalanced and not attested. Their current and previous bonding companies (changed 10/2019) were unable to confirm a satisfactory bonding history. Entering into a contract with Norris would expose the District to unnecessary risk. Cole & Moore, P.S.C. has been consulted on this analysis and they concur.

Review of Cumberland Pipeline's, references, history, and financial data as the 2nd lowest bidder on the project yielded a substantial record of successfully completing similar projects to the proposed work. It is in the District's best interest to award the Morgantown Road Area Improvements – Contract 1 to Cumberland Pipeline, LLC.

Review of Caldwell Tanks', references, history, and financial data as the low bidder on Contract 2 yielded satisfactory results.

Therefore, we recommend that the contracts be awarded as follows:

Contract 1: Cumberland Pipeline, LLC (2nd Low Bidder): \$1,646,650

Contract 2: Caldwell Tanks, Inc. (Low Bidder): \$635,000

A tabulation of all bids received is attached. If we can provide you with any additional information, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Ryan J. Leisey, P.E.
Manager of Engineering & Construction

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water and wastewater
services to families and
businesses throughout
Warren County.

