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April 30, 2024

Via: Email

Bill Mayes Drainage Superintendent Norfolk County 12 Gilbertson Drive Simcoe, ON N3Y 4N5

Dear Bill:

Re: Tender Results Dertinger Municipal Drain Improvement Project No.: 300053869.0000

In accordance with your instruction, the quotation for the above-noted project closed at 2:00:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 9, 2024. Three bids were received prior to the closing time, and we have reviewed the bids for mathematical errors and omissions.

The bid submissions were received as follows:

Bidder	Bid (excluding HST)
Robinson Farm Drainage Limited	\$652,590.00
Neil Montague Construction Limited	\$1,113,690.00
Total Excavation Inc.	\$1,772,365.00

Subject to the provision of adequate insurance certificates and WSIB clearances, we recommend that Council accept the tender from Robinson Farm Drainage Limited.

The Engineer's estimate for construction costs was \$456,450.00 (excluding HST). The low bid is in excess of 133% of the Engineers estimate. Therefore, Council may call for a meeting of the assessed owners as described in Sections 59(1) and Section 41(1) of the Drainage Act to discuss the Contract price. Ultimately as this is a Section 78 Drainage Report, Council will make the final decision to proceed with the works as tendered.

I believe that the increased costs over and above the Engineers estimate are a result of recent inflationary trends and the additional mitigation measures required by the Department of Fisheries and Oceans (DFO). To potentially lower the overall costs, Council may consider constructing the six road crossings with County forces. The removal items listed in the Tender may also be dropped from the construction to save on costs. Upon your instructions, we will prepare contract documents for execution by the Contractor.

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Should you have any questions or wish to discuss in further detail, please contact the undersigned.

Yours truly,

R.J. Burnside & Associates Limited

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