

**INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM  
METROPOLITAN WATER RECLAMATION DISTRICT OF GREATER CHICAGO**

**DEPARTMENT:** General Administration  
Diversity Section

**DATE:** July 12, 2024

**TO:** Dr. Catherine O'Connor, Director of Engineering

**FROM:** Richard L. Martinez, Jr., Acting Diversity Administrator *RLM/PCS*

**SUBJECT:** **Contract 14-259-5F – Flood Control Project in the Vicinity of 131<sup>st</sup> Street and Cypress Lane in Palos Heights**

**LOW BIDDER:** Meru Corporation

The lowest responsive bidder, Meru Corporation, has submitted company information and “MBE/WBE/VBE Business Verification Forms” for the firms identified on the subject contract’s Affirmative Action Utilization Plan and VBE Commitment Form.

The MBE, WBE, and VBE Utilization Goals for the above-mentioned contract are 20% MBE, 10% WBE, and 3% VBE. According to the bidder’s Utilization Plan and VBE Commitment Form, the bidder has committed to the following goals:

<u>MBE</u>	<u>WBE</u>	<u>VBE</u>
31.56%	10%	3.14%

Therefore, Meru Corporation, is in apparent compliance with the requirements of the Affirmative Action Ordinance Revised Appendix D and the Appendix V.

RLM:MGT

Attachments

c: LoCascio, Morakalis, Cornier, Kunath, Valdez, Lopez, Haynes, file

**METROPOLITAN WATER RECLAMATION DISTRICT OF  
GREATER CHICAGO**

**MBE/WBE UTILIZATION PLAN**

For Local and Small business entities - Definitions for terms used below can be found in Appendix D: MBE - Section 5(u); WBE - Section 5(ff); SBE - Section 5(z).

**NOTE: The Bidder shall submit with the Bid, originals or facsimile copies of all MBE/WBE Subcontractor’s Letter of Intent furnished to all MBEs and WBEs. IF A BIDDER FAILS TO INCLUDE signed copies of the MBE/WBE Utilization Plan and all signed MBE/WBE Subcontractor’s Letter of Intent with its bid, said bid will be deemed nonresponsive and rejected.**

**All Bidders must sign the signature page UP-4 of the Utilization Plan, even if a waiver is requested.**

Name of Bidder: MERU CORPORATION

Contract No.: 14-259-5F

Affirmative Action Contact & Phone No.: Nirav Majmudar, 847-759-0430

E-Mail Address: nirav@merucorporation.com

Total Bid: Six Hundred Niney Seven Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents

**MBE/WBE UTILIZATION PLAN AND ALL SIGNED MBE/WBE SUBCONTRACTOR’S LETTER OF INTENT MUST BE COMPLETED, SIGNED AND ACCOMPANY YOUR BID!!!**

**MBE UTILIZATION**

Name of MBE and contact person: NIRAV MAJMUDAR  
Business Phone Number: 847-759-0430 Email Address: nirav@merucorporation.com  
Address: 8436 W. Carol Street, Niles, IL 60714  
Description of Work, Services or Supplies to be provided: Sewer, Excavation

CONTRACT ITEM NO.: A  
Total Dollar Amount Participation: \$220,000.00

**The MBE/WBE Utilization Plan and the MBE/WBE Subcontractor's Letter of Intent MUST Accompany the Bid!!**

**MBE UTILIZATION**

Name of MBE and contact person: \_\_\_\_\_  
Business Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Description of Work, Services or Supplies to be provided: \_\_\_\_\_

CONTRACT ITEM NO.: \_\_\_\_\_  
Total Dollar Amount Participation: \_\_\_\_\_

**The MBE/WBE Utilization Plan and the MBE/WBE Subcontractor's Letter of Intent MUST Accompany the Bid!!**

**MBE UTILIZATION**

Name of MBE and contact person: \_\_\_\_\_  
Business Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Description of Work, Services or Supplies to be provided: \_\_\_\_\_

CONTRACT ITEM NO.: \_\_\_\_\_  
Total Dollar Amount Participation: \_\_\_\_\_

**The MBE/WBE Utilization Plan and the MBE/WBE Subcontractor's Letter of Intent MUST Accompany the Bid!!**

(Attach additional sheets as needed)

**WBE UTILIZATION**

Name of WBE and contact person: R. A, Seaton Contractor Services, LLC

Business Phone Number: 815-520-4812 Email Address: raseatoncontractor@gmail.com

Address: 5100 Linden Road, Rockford, IL 61109

Description of Work, Services or Supplies to be provided: Trucking Services

CONTRACT ITEM NO.: A

Total Dollar Amount Participation: \$70,000.00

**The MBE/WBE Utilization Plan and the MBE/WBE Subcontractor's Letter of Intent MUST Accompany the Bid!!!**

**WBE UTILIZATION**

Name of WBE and contact person: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Description of Work, Services or Supplies to be provided: \_\_\_\_\_

CONTRACT ITEM NO.: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Dollar Amount Participation: \_\_\_\_\_

**The MBE/WBE Utilization Plan and the MBE/WBE Subcontractor's Letter of Intent MUST Accompany the Bid!!!**

**WBE UTILIZATION**

Name of WBE and contact person: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Description of Work, Services or Supplies to be provided: \_\_\_\_\_

CONTRACT ITEM NO.: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Dollar Amount Participation: \_\_\_\_\_

**The MBE/WBE Utilization Plan and the MBE/WBE Subcontractor's Letter of Intent MUST Accompany the Bid!!!**

(Attach additional sheets as needed)

## SIGNATURE SECTION

On Behalf of MERU CORPORATION I/We hereby acknowledge that  
(name of company)

I/WE have read Revised Appendix D, will comply with the provisions of Revised Appendix D, and intend to use the MBEs and WBEs listed above in the performance of this contract and/or have completed the Waiver Request Form. To the best of my knowledge, information and belief, the facts and representations contained in this Exhibit are true, and no material facts have been omitted.

I do solemnly declare and affirm under penalties of perjury that the contents of the foregoing document are true and correct, and that I am authorized, on behalf of the bidder, to make this affidavit.

June 4, 2024

Date

Signature of Authorized officer

ATTEST:



NIRAV MAJMUDAR, PRESIDENT

Print name and title

Secretary

847-759-0430

Phone number

**1) The Bidder is required to sign and execute this page, EVEN IF A WAIVER IS BEING REQUESTED.**

**2) Failure to do so will result in a nonresponsive bid and rejection of the bid.**

**3) If a waiver is requested, the bidder must also complete the following "WAIVER REQUEST FORM."**

The MBE/WBE Utilization Plan and the MBE/WBE Subcontractor's Letter of Intent MUST accompany the Bid!!!

# WAIVER REQUEST FORM

**If a waiver is requested, the Bidder is required to sign and execute this page.**

Contract No.: 14-259-5F

Name of Bidder: MERU CORPORATION

Contact Person and Phone Number: NIRAV MAJMUDAR - 847-759-0430

With respect to the contract specified above, the Bidder hereby requests a total or partial waiver of the requirement that, pursuant to Section 15 (a)-(d) of the Affirmative Action Ordinance, Revised Appendix D, it files a MBE/WBE Utilization Plan or achieve a particular goal for MBE/WBE participation in the contract. The reasons for the request are as follows:

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On Behalf of MERU CORPORATION I/We hereby acknowledge that  
(name of company)

I/WE have read Affirmative Action Ordinance, Revised Appendix D, will comply with the provisions of Affirmative Action Ordinance, Revised Appendix D, and intend to use the MBEs and WBEs listed in the MBE/WBE Utilization Plan in the performance of this contract and have completed the Waiver Request Form. To the best of my knowledge, information and belief, the facts and representations contained in this Waiver Request Form are true, and no material facts have been omitted.

I do solemnly declare and affirm under penalties of perjury that the contents of the foregoing document are true and correct, and that I am authorized, on behalf of the contractor, to make this affidavit.

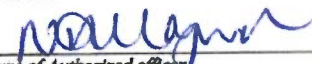
JUNE 4, 2024

Date

ATTEST:

  
Secretary



  
Signature of Authorized officer

NIRAV MAJMUDAR, PRESIDENT

Print name and title

847-759-0430

Phone number

## **NOTE TO BIDDERS**

All Waiver requests are evaluated carefully by the District. **The evaluation is based on your firm's documented GOOD FAITH EFFORTS.**

**The GOOD FAITH EFFORTS MUST be Undertaken PRIOR to your bid submittal to the District.**  
Good Faith Efforts are identified on pp. D21-D22, Section 15. Utilization Plan Submission (e), (i) (1)-(8).

The MBE/ WBE Utilization Plan and the MBE/ WBE Subcontractor's Letter of Intent MUST Accompany the Bid!

**VBE COMMITMENT FORM**

1. Name of VBE: AIRY'S INC  
Identify MBE, WBE, SBE Status: VBE Address: 21825 Cherry Hill Road  
City, State, Zip Code: Joliet, IL 60433  
Contact Person: Stuart Jelm, PE Telephone Number: 708.429.0660  
eMail Address: stuart.jelm@airys.com  
\*Dollar Amount of Participation: \$21,950 Percent of Participation: 3 %  
Scope of Work: Cast-in-place concrete structure work

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2. Name of VBE: \_\_\_\_\_  
Identify MBE, WBE, SBE Status: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City, State Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
eMail Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\*Dollar Amount of Participation: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Percent of Participation: \_\_\_\_\_ %  
Scope of Work: \_\_\_\_\_

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3. Name of VBE: \_\_\_\_\_  
Identify MBE, WBE, SBE Status: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City, State Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
eMail Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\*Dollar Amount of Participation: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Percent of Participation: \_\_\_\_\_ %  
Scope of Work: \_\_\_\_\_

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4. Name of VBE: \_\_\_\_\_  
Identify MBE, WBE, SBE Status: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
eMail Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\*Dollar Amount of Participation: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Percent of Participation: \_\_\_\_\_ %  
Scope of Work: \_\_\_\_\_

\*If a MBE or WBE will be utilized to accomplish the VBE Contract Goal, then the VBE commitment amount must be entered as a separate dollar amount. VBE Contract Goals are separate and distinct from the MBE and WBE Contract Goals.

Attach a copy of qualifications for each VBE firm