

## **OHIO TURNPIKE AND INFRASTRUCTURE COMMISSION**

### **Resolution Approving the Selection of DLZ Ohio, Inc. for Wetland Monitoring Services Under Project No. 99-23-05 in the Not-to-Exceed Amount of \$466,681.18**

WHEREAS, on April 17, 2023, the Ohio Turnpike and Infrastructure Commission (“Commission”) issued notice of its Request for Letters of Interest (“LOI”) 7-2023 for professional engineering services that include wetland monitoring and reporting for a newly constructed wetland facility at the Commission’s Toll Plaza 4 at Milepost 3.6, Williams County, Ohio, designated as Project No. 99-23-05 (the “Project”) for a term of ten (10) years; and

WHEREAS, on May 15, 2022, the Commission received five (5) Letters of Interest from firms expressing their readiness to serve as the Commission’s engineering consultant for the Project; and

WHEREAS, an Evaluation Team consisting of Engineering staff convened to independently review, evaluate, and score the submissions in accordance with the LOI Evaluation Process and the Commission’s Contracts Policy in order to rank the submissions; and

WHEREAS, on the basis of the Letters of Interest received, in accordance with the Commission’s Standard Operating Procedure for Professional Engineering Consultant Selection Process, the Evaluation Team concluded that DLZ Ohio, Inc. (“DLZ”), is the most qualified firm to perform the professional engineering services for Project No. 99-23-05; and

WHEREAS, DLZ submitted a fee proposal dated August 4, 2023, to perform the professional engineering services for Project No. 99-23-05 in the not-to-exceed amount of \$466,681.18 which the Chief Engineer finds to be reasonable and appropriate recommends that the Commission approve the award of the contract to DLZ based on its technical proposal and fee proposal for the Project

WHEREAS, the Commission’s Director of Contracts Administration has determined that the LOI process and the selection of DLZ conform with the requirements of Ohio Revised Code Sections 153.65 to 153.71, that all legal requirements were performed and that the Letters of Interest were solicited based on the same terms and conditions with respect to all respondents and potential respondents; and

WHEREAS, the Office of Equity and Inclusion waived the program requirements due to lack of subcontracting opportunities and availability of certified firms; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Director has reviewed the recommendations submitted by the Evaluation Team and Chief Engineer, and concurs that the Commission should approve the selection of DLZ to perform the professional engineering services for Project No. 99-23-05; and

WHEREAS, Commission action is necessary to approve the Contract in accordance with Article V, Section 1.00 of the Commission’s Bylaws because the amount estimated to perform the professional engineering services is anticipated to exceed \$150,000.00;

WHEREAS, the Commission has duly considered such recommendations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, by the Ohio Turnpike and Infrastructure Commission that the selection of DLZ Ohio, Inc. is approved as the most qualified firm to perform the professional engineering services to include wetland monitoring and reporting for a newly constructed wetland facility at the Commission’s Toll Plaza 4, under Project No. 99-23-05, and that the Executive Director is authorized to execute a contract with DLZ Ohio, Inc. in the not-to-exceed amount of \$466,681.18.

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