

RESOLUTION NO. 17- 45

**RESOLUTION OF THE NEW JERSEY ENVIRONMENTAL INFRASTRUCTURE TRUST
ESTABLISHING A POOL OF PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING FIRMS
FOR CONSULTING ENGINEERING SERVICES**

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Trust (Trust) is authorized to make and enter into all contracts necessary or incidental to the performance of its duties pursuant to N.J.S.A. 58:11B-5(d); and

WHEREAS, on March 27, 2017, the Trust published a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) to prequalify firms for engineering consulting services (Consulting Pool) for the New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Financing Program (NJEIFP) to review applications for NJEIFP loans, review project requisitions and oversee project construction (Consulting Engineering Services); and

WHEREAS, the RFQ enumerated, among other things, the minimal qualifications required of firms to be appointed to the Consulting Pool; and

WHEREAS, should the Department of Environmental Protection (Department) determine that Consulting Engineering Services are needed for a specific project(s) that cannot be met by the Department's existing staff, proposals will be separately solicited from the Consulting Pool to provide all or a portion of Consulting Engineering Services necessary for wastewater and drinking water environmental infrastructure projects on a project specific basis; and

WHEREAS, should the need arise to solicit proposals for a specific project(s), the utilization of a prequalified pool provides an opportunity to identify potential conflicts of interest among the members of this Consulting Pool arising from a firm's prior business or familial relationship with an NJEIFP project at the time of solicitation of proposals; and

WHEREAS, on April 25, 2017, the Trust received nine proposals in response to the RFQ; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to state statute, the pool of pre-qualified firms should include all respondents absent a failure of a firm to satisfy the minimal qualifications to provide consulting services set forth in the RFQ; and

WHEREAS, a review of the proposals revealed all firms possessed the minimal qualifications to provide consulting services set forth in the RFQ; and

WHEREAS, it is recommended that this Consulting Pool be comprised of the following nine (9) firms: Alaimo Group, Arcadis U.S., Inc., CDM Smith Inc., CP Professional Services,

Greenman Pederson, Inc., Matrix New World, Mott MacDonald, LLC, Suburban Consulting Engineers, and Tetra Tech, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, creation of the Consulting Pool shall not be construed as a guarantee that services will be required for utilized for any specific project.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Trust has reviewed and accepts the recommendation of the Evaluation Committee and directs the Executive Director to communicate same to the following engineering firms: **Alaimo Group, Arcadis U.S., Inc., CDM Smith Inc., CP Professional Services, Greenman Pederson, Inc., Matrix New World, Mott MacDonald, LLC, Suburban Consulting Engineers, and Tetra Tech, Inc.**; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the solicitation of proposals from the Consulting Pool for Consulting Services will be limited to circumstances in which Consulting Engineering Services are determined by the Department to be necessary to augment existing program staff resources to review applications for, and oversee the construction of, necessary environmental infrastructure projects. Such augmentation shall ensure compliance with program requirements to meet an applicant's construction schedule.

Adopted Date: August 10, 2017

Motion Made By: Timothy Cunningham

Motion Seconded By: Daniel Kennedy

Ayes: 5

Nays: 0

Abstentions: 0