To: All Small and Minority Business Enterprises (S/MBEs)

From: The Whiting-Turner Construction Company

Re: Contract Opportunities at the Connecticut Science Center

The Whiting-Turner Construction Company is pleased to inform you concerning the Connecticut Center for Science and Exploration poised to be the newest addition to the Adriaen's Landing Project's in Hartford, Connecticut. As the Construction Manager, Whiting-Turner is preparing to initiate a Pre-Qualification process that will identify contractors that are available and qualified for work on this project. Pre-Qualification Forms are now being accepted for the following trades:

Plumbing/Core Shell Metal Wall Panels Roofing Systems Test/Balancing Core Shell Miscellaneous Metals Electrical Systems Core/Shell Spray Fire Proofing Telecomm & Sec Core/Shell Intumesent Painting Audio/Video Core/Shell Raised Access Flooring Auto Temp Controls Core/Shell Movable Partitions Plaza Slab Concrete **Drywall & Metal Framing Escalators** Millwork Elevators **Painting**

Fire Protection Doors, Frames & Hardware Interior Glazing HVAC/Core Shell

Carpet & Rubber Flooring Specialty Flooring Signage Kitchen Equipment Interior & Exterior Caulking Lockers **Draperies & Window Treatments**

Please note, said Pre-Qualification Form is intended for those Small, Minority and Women owned businesses who wish to pursue prime contracting opportunities under this Project. At least 25% of the total construction cost for the Project has been designated for eligible and qualified S/MBEs. All S/MBEs desiring to furnish materials or services under contract directly with the Construction manager must first pre-qualify pursuant to this request. Pre-qualified S/MBEs will be eligible to submit price proposals to the Construction Manager for specific bid packages to be determined in the future. Please note, Pre-qualification shall in no way assure or guarantee any contractor that it will be awarded a contract on the Project.

SBE/MBE/WBE Participation and Project Labor Agreement (PLA)

The Contractor shall do whatever is necessary to hire and employ, or cause to be hired and employed, available and qualified residents of the City of Hartford and available and qualified members of minorities for construction jobs with respect to the Work at all levels of Construction. The employment requirements are as follows: a goal for the employment of minorities (as defined in Section 32-9n of the general statutes) of 15% participation, Hartford residents of 30% and Women of 6.9% of the total employment for the Project.

The State of Connecticut Minority and Small Contractors' Set-Aside program, Connecticut General Statutes 4a-60g was established for the purpose of assuring that Connecticut small business have an opportunity to bid on a portion of the State's purchases. Under this program twenty-five percent (25%) of State funded purchases are set-aside for small business. In addition, twenty-five percent (25%) of that amount is reserved for small businesses that are minority/women owned. The State of Connecticut Department of Administrative Services (DAS) is the sole certifying agency for Small/Minority/ Women Business Enterprises. No other local, state, or federal agency S/M/WBE certification is valid for this Project. Calculations of Contractor participation levels will be based solely on DAS Set-aside vendors.

Each successful bidder, and any and all levels of subcontractors, as a condition of being awarded a contract or subcontract, shall agree to execute and abide by the provisions of the PLA, Connecticut General Statutes 32-9e/n and S/MBE requirements listed above.

Copies of the Pre-Qualification Statement may be obtained free of charge from:

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Contact: Joe Bukovec

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All completed Pre-Qualification forms must be received by the Construction Manager at:

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