



ERIE COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY  
INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

July 26, 2021

To: Jerome D. Schad, Chair  
Peggy LaGree, Vice Chair  
Michele Iannello, Treasurer

From: Terrence D. McCracken, Secretary to the Authority

Subject: Request for Proposal  
Cybersecurity Risk & Vulnerability Assessment  
Project No. 202100195

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Commissioners:

As you are aware, on May 13, 2021 the Board of Commissioners (the “Board”) authorized the issuance of a Request for Proposal (the “RFP”) to qualified firms to provide the Erie County Water Authority with a Cybersecurity Risk and Vulnerability Assessment. The RFP was issued to five firms with a deadline of June 11, 2021. The RFP was also posted on the Authority’s website. Eleven valid responses to the RFP have been submitted.

Senior Systems Engineer John Weider, Security Officer Matt Barrett, General Counsel Mark Carney, Senior Associate Attorney Margaret Murphy, Chief Executive Officer Russ Stoll, Chief Financial Officer Karen Prendergast and myself reviewed the submitted proposals (the “Committee”).

A scoring matrix and points system was developed referencing each of the consultant’s business structure, consultant’s team, scope of services, insurance, registered to do business in New York State, references and pricing.

After a thorough review of the proposals, the Committee is recommending that the Board approves awarding a contract to GlobalSecurityIQ (“Global”). Global is a local company that the Committee feels is best fit to carry out the needs to perform a Cyber Security Risk and Vulnerability Assessment. With those thoughts in mind, the Committee respectfully requests consideration of awarding a contract to Global for the above referenced project.

Budget Information:

O&M Budget

Unit: 7510: General Expenses

Item No.: 20 – Miscellaneous

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