Participation goals stated in the solicitation were 16.5% MBE and 14.2% WBE. The recommended firm provided an M/WBE Compliance Plan that met the goals of the solicitation and was approved by the Department of Small and Minority Business Resources.

Notification of issuance of a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for the subject services was sent to 212 firms on October 18, 2007. The RFQ was obtained by 22 firms, and one firm submitted a qualification statement. The one firm was a certified MBE firm. Evaluation of the qualification statement received results in the following recommendation:

RECOMMENDED FIRM: COTERA + REED ARCHITECTS, AUSTIN, TX – Total Participation:

MBE/MH TOTAL – PRIME	45.10%
Cotera + Reed Architects, Austin, TX	45.10%
WBE TOTAL – SUBCONTRACTORS	26.00%
(FR) Urban Design Group, Austin TX (civil engineering)	16.00 %
(FR) Carolyn Kelley Landscape Architect, Austin, TX (landscape architecture)	8.00%
(FR) Sunland Group, Austin, TX (cost estimating)	2.00%
NON M/WBE TOTAL – SUBCONTRACTORS	28.9%
MJ Structures, Austin, TX (structural engineering)	8.5%
ACR Engineering, Austin, TX (environmental consulting)	8.4%
FODA Studio, Austin, TX (design services)	7.0%
Archillume Lighting Design, Austin, TX (architectural lighting services)	5.0%