# STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Haydon Burns Building 605 Suwannee Street Tallahassee, Florida



INFRASTRUCTURE CORPORATION OF AMERICA,

Petitioner,

VS.

DOAH CASE NO.: 07-4410BID DOT CASE NO.: 07-084

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION,

Respondent,

and

DEANGELO BROTHERS, INC., d/b/a DBI SERVICES CORPORATION,

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## **FINAL ORDER**

On August 21, 2007, the Department of Transportation (Department) posted notice that it intended to award contract E1G23-RO, Ultra Asset Maintenance, for the performance of all routine maintenance activities on I-75, to DeAngelo Brothers, Inc., d/b/a DBI Services Corporation (DBI Services). Petitioner, Infrastructure Corporation of America (ICA), filed a notice of intent to protest on August 24, 2007, and a Formal Protest Petition on September 4, 2007.

The matter was referred to the Division of Administrative Hearings (DOAH) for assignment of an administrative law judge and a formal hearing. DBI Services filed a Petition to Intervene that was granted on September 27, 2007.

An administrative hearing was held in Tallahassee, Florida, on October 30, 2007, before T. Kent Wetherell, II, a duly appointed administrative law judge. Appearances on behalf of the parties were as follows:

For Petitioner:

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Eduardo Lombard, Esquire

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For Respondent:

C. Denise Johnson, Esquire

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For Intervenor:

Brian Newman, Esquire

Cynthia Tunnicliff, Esquire

Pennington, Moore, Wilkinson, Bell & Dunbar, P.A.

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ICA presented the testimony of one witness, David Rader, and the deposition testimony of Jennifer Perry and Amy Burlarley-Hyland. DBI Services presented the testimony of Jennifer Perry and Amy Burlarley-Hyland. The parties offered Joint Exhibits 1a, 2 though 21, 24, 25 and 33 through 38, which were admitted into evidence. ICA offered Petitioner's Exhibits 1 and 2, which were admitted into evidence. DBI Services offered Intervenor's Exhibits 1 and 2, which were admitted into evidence. The transcript of the hearing was filed on November 13, 2007. The parties timely filed proposed recommended orders. Judge Wetherell issued his Recommended

Order on December 14, 2007. No exceptions were filed.

### STATEMENT OF THE ISSUE

The issue presented was whether the proposed award of contract E1G23-RO, for Ultra Asset Maintenance, to DBI Services is contrary to the Department's governing statutes, rules, policies, or the specifications in the Request for Proposals.

#### **FINDINGS OF FACT**

- 1. After review of the record in its entirety, it is determined that the administrative law judge's Findings of Fact in paragraphs 1 through 84 are supported by competent, substantial evidence, and are adopted and incorporated as if fully set forth herein.
- 2. The Department has incurred \$1,264.00 in taxable costs for transcript and mailing costs and charges.

#### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

- 1. The Department has jurisdiction over the subject matter of and the parties to this proceeding pursuant to Chapters 120 and 337, Florida Statutes.
- 2. The Conclusions of Law in paragraphs 85 through 91 of the Recommended Order are fully supported in law and are adopted and incorporated as if fully set forth herein.

#### **ORDER**

Based upon the foregoing Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, it is

**ORDERED** that the Formal Protest Petition filed by Infrastructure Corporation of America, challenging the award of contract E1G23-RO, for Ultra Asset Maintenance on I-75, is hereby dismissed. It is further

ORDERED that the motion for costs by the Department of Transportation is granted. Infrastructure Corporation of America shall pay the sum of \$1,264.00 to the Department within 30 days of the date of this order or the amount shall be deducted from the bond posted by Infrastructure Corporation of America.

DONE AND ORDERED this 11th day of January, 2008.

Stephanie C. Kopelousos

Secrétary

Department of Transportation Haydon Burns Building

605 Suwannee Street

Tallahassee, Florida 32399

### **NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL**

THIS ORDER CONSTITUTES FINAL AGENCY ACTION AND MAY BE APPEALED PURSUANT TO SECTION 120.68, FLORIDA STATUTES, AND RULES 9.110 AND 9.190, FLORIDA RULES OF APPELLATE PROCEDURE, BY FILING A NOTICE OF APPEAL CONFORMING TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF RULE 9.110(d), FLORIDA RULES OF APPELLATE PROCEDURE, BOTH WITH THE APPROPRIATE DISTRICT COURT OF APPEAL, ACCOMPANIED BY THE APPROPRIATE FILING FEE, AND WITH THE DEPARTMENT'S CLERK OF AGENCY PROCEEDINGS, HAYDON BURNS BUILDING, 605 SUWANNEE STREET, M.S. 58, TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA 32399-0458, WITHIN THIRTY (30) DAYS OF RENDITION OF THIS ORDER.

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