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MEMORANDUM

Date: March 4, 2026
To: Procurement File
From: Ben McCormack, Procurement Specialist Senior
Subject: Selection Committee Report – to RFP No. 2026-0159-CMO/BM Utility Feasibility Study

In accordance with the Request for Proposal (RFP) No. 2026-0159-CMO/BM for Utility Feasibility Study, six proposals were received on Thursday February 05, 2026. The following proposals were received and deemed to be responsive to the RFP requirements:

HDR Engineering Inc.
Baker Tilly Advisory Group, LP
David Brecker Associates
NewGen Strategies & Solutions
Siemens Energy
Island Power

The evaluation committee consisted of four members from Santa Fe County staff and a subject matter expert formerly with the State of New Mexico. The committee convened on Friday February 27, 2026 to review, evaluate and rank the Proposals. Scoring forms were developed by the Purchasing Division, utilizing the same criteria factors from the RFP. The evaluation committee reviewed each Proposal based on the Offeror's response to the evaluation criteria factors contained in Section V. Specifications, B "Evaluation Criteria" in the RFP. Below are the final scores.

PROPOSALS RECEIVED	EVALUATION SCORE
Baker Tilly	917
HDR Engineering	905
NewGen	755
David Brecker	758
Siemens Energy	736
Island Power	Non-responsive

EVALUATION COMMITTEE DELIBERATIONS

Baker Tilly: Baker Tilly received the highest score from the evaluation committee. In addition to their extensive experience in New Mexico working with similar sized communities and tribal governments, they offered a detailed breakdown of the work required with timelines, tasks and activities for each step, as well as the feasibility of each with specific concerns that the County of Santa Fe will experience.

HDR Engineering: was the next highest scoring proposal. Their experience in New Mexico and with Santa Fe County in particular, as well as their technical expertise makes them a valuable candidate for the project. The committee felt that there was a “personal touch” to their proposal. They were concerned with HDR’s lack of experience with the purchase and acquisition of utilities but appreciated their focus on renewables.

NewGen Strategies: was the next highest scoring proposal. The committee found their global experience with large cities and their financial focus impressive. There was concerns about their lack of experience in New Mexico and with areas of comparable size to Santa Fe County, however they appreciated the alternatives offered for a microgrid system and felt that NewGen could adapt their strategy to the area.

David Brecker: the committee was impressed with David Brecker’s knowledge and experience with microgrid systems, as well as their understanding of the County’s needs, there were concerns, however, about the size of the team and whether the work could be completed.

Siemens Energy: the committee found a lack of detail in the proposal, little understanding of the needs of Santa Fe County, and many of the requested items, especially in section 3 were missing, although they very much appreciated the submittal.

Island Power: Island Power submitted a non-qualifying bid, and proposed themselves as a value-add technical adviser.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

The committee deliberated and determined to move to oral presentations with Baker Tilly and HDR Engineering.