



# UNION COUNTY UTILITIES AUTHORITY

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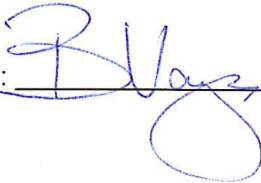
## SUPPLEMENTAL RESOLUTION OF THE UNION COUNTY UTILITIES AUTHORITY ADOPTING A REVISED LIST OF FIRMS QUALIFIED TO PROVIDE SERVICE TO THE AUTHORITY AND AWARDED CONTRACTS TO, AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF CONTRACTS WITH, CERTAIN PROFESSIONALS AND CONSULTANTS TO THE AUTHORITY

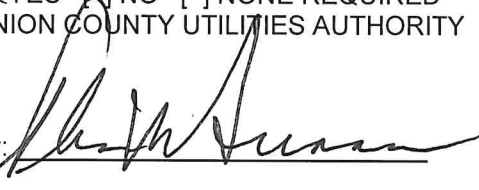
APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Bianka Vargas  
Clerk of the Authority

APPROVED AS TO SUFFICIENCY OF FUNDS

YES  NO  NONE REQUIRED  
UNION COUNTY UTILITIES AUTHORITY

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**SUPPLEMENTAL RESOLUTION OF THE UNION COUNTY UTILITIES  
AUTHORITY REAPPOINTING CERTAIN PROFESSIONALS AND  
CONSULTANTS TO THE AUTHORITY**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the Solid Waste Management Act, N.J.S.A. 13:1E-1 et seq. (the "SWMA"), each county within the State of New Jersey is designated a solid waste management district with responsibility for the development of a solid waste management plan setting forth the solid waste disposal strategy to be applied in the district; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Union (the "County") has adopted the Union County District Solid Waste Management Plan, as amended from time to time (the "County Plan"); and

**WHEREAS**, the County has designated the Union County Utilities Authority (the "Authority" \) as the agency responsible for implementing the County Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, in order to carry out the stated purposes and goals for which the Authority was created, as well as the powers granted by the Municipal and County Utilities Authorities Law, N.J.S.A. 40:14B-1 et seq., and pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., the Authority has determined that it will require the provision of certain general and specialized consulting and professional services relating to and in furtherance of its activities; and

**WHEREAS**, the Authority has determined to undertake a fair and open process in accordance with the New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play Law, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4, et seq. through the issuance of a Request for Qualifications ("RFQ") for contract awards for such services required on and after the Authority's 2023 reorganization through and until its reorganization in 2024; and

**WHEREAS**, the Authority has established and implemented a procedure for such a process which required, at a minimum (1) public advertisement of the RFQ, in the official Authority newspaper for ten (10) calendar days, (2) establishment of appropriate evaluation criteria, which was documented in writing and disclosed prior to the solicitation of qualifications, and (3) public opening; followed by announcement of any contract award; and

**WHEREAS**, moreover the Authority established an evaluation committee to evaluate any and all responses to the RFQ, consisting of the following individuals: Chairman Raymond Szpond, Acting Executive Director Linda Stender and Deputy Executive Director Lisa M. da Silva; and

**WHEREAS**, the Authority advertised an RFQ for various professional services on January 5, 2023, received responses to the RFQ on January 19, 2023 and, after reviewing and evaluation such responses and based upon recommendations of the Authority's evaluation committee and the PPI committee, the Authority adopted Resolutions 11-2023 and 12-2023 at its February 15, 2023 Reorganization Meeting which respectively, qualified all firms meeting the evaluation criteria established in accordance with the Fair and Open



Process and the Authority's By-laws, and Appointing and reappointing a list firms to provide professional and consulting services to the Authority during the period covering February 15, 2023 through the Authority's next reorganization meeting in February 2024; and

**WHEREAS**, in an effort to expand the pool of qualified vendors for possible appointment, the Authority readvertised an RFQ for certain professional services on February 8 2023 and received responses thereto on February 22, 2023, all of which have been reviewed and evaluated; and

**WHEREAS**, the Authority wishes to supplement its previously adopted list of firms deemed qualified through its RFQ process to provide services to the Authority during the above referenced time period and to award contracts to certain firms and authorize the execution thereof as set forth on the attached revised list of qualified firms..

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Union County Utilities Authority:

1. Hereby adopts the attached revised list as the firms deemed qualified to provide services to the Authority during the above-referenced time period pursuant to a Fair and Open process in accordance with the New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play Law, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4, et seq.
2. Award Contracts to the professionals listed hereunder to provide professional and consulting services to the Authority during the period beginning March 15, 2023 through the Authority's next reorganization meeting in February 2024, and authorizes the Acting Executive Director to execute a Contract with each firm and individual listed below in a form substantially similar to the forms of Contracts attached hereto:
  - a. Hindsight, Inc., as the Authority's Manager Service Provider (MSP), to perform Information Technology services as needed by the Authority in an amount not to exceed \$31,725.00.00.
  - b. Cleary, Giacobbe, Alfieri, Jacobs, LLC to perform Solid Waste Counsel services as needed by the Authority in an amount not to exceed \$25,000.00.
  - c. Business, & Government Insurance Agency (BGIA) to perform Insurance consultation services as needed by the Authority in connection with the Authority's participation in the New Jersey Utilities Authorities Joint Insurance Fund (the "JIF"), to be paid by the JIF.
3. These appointments are each an award for professional and consulting services not subject to the public bidding requirements of the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., inasmuch as the appointees are each authorized and regulated by law to provide the aforementioned services and/or the services are

specialized in nature and require knowledge and training of an advanced type, which each of said firms and/or individuals possesses.

4. These Contracts, although exempt from formal public bidding, are each awarded as part of a "Fair and Open" process in accordance with N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.
5. The Authority hereby adopts, and shall incorporate into the contracts which are the subject of this Resolution, all of the provisions of New Jersey Public Law 2022, c. 3, concerning persons and entities determined to be engaged in prohibited activities in Russia or Belarus under the subject legislation as though the UCUA were deemed a State agency thereunder.
6. To the extent not already done so, the Authority shall cause a notice of each of the above-described contract awards to be published according to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a), et seq.; and
7. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

ATTACHMENT A

REVISED LIST OF QUALIFIED FIRMS FOR 2023

### **Auditing Services**

- ❖ Suplee Clooney and Company

### **General Engineering**

- ❖ CME Associates
- ❖ Neglia Engineering Associates
- ❖ Suburban Consulting Engineers, Inc.

### **Monitoring Engineering**

- ❖ D&B Engineers and Architects, P.C.
- ❖ CME Associates

### **Financial Advisory Services**

- ❖ Acacia Financial Group, Inc.
- ❖ NW Financial
- ❖ Phoenix Advisors
- ❖ RBC Capital Markets, LLC

### **Insurance Consultant Broker, and Life and Disability**

- ❖ BGIA
- ❖ Alamo Insurance Group, Inc

### **Employee Assistance Counseling**

- ❖ Saint Barnabas, Management Services,  
One Source EAP (*formerly Trinitas  
Physicians Practice, LLC/CARE EAP*)

### **Information Technology**

- ❖ Clarity Technology Group, LLC
- ❖ TK Solutions
- ❖ Hindsight, Inc.

### **Medical Services**

- ❖ Union County Healthcare Associates

### **Retirement Planning Services**

- ❖ Economic Planning Group

### **Legal Counsel Services**

#### **Bankruptcy Counsel**

- ❖ McManimon, Scotland & Bauman

#### **Bond Counsel**

- ❖ Rogut McCarthy, LLC
- ❖ Hawkins Delafield & Wood, LLC

#### **Enforcement Counsel**

- ❖ Weber Dowd Law, LLC
- ❖ Murphy Orlando, LLC

#### **General Counsel**

- ❖ Murphy Orlando, LLC
- ❖ Weber Dowd Law, LLC
- ❖ Weiner Law Group
- ❖ Marmero Law, LLC

#### **Labor Counsel**

- ❖ Eric M. Bernstein & Associates, LLC
- ❖ Murphy Orlando, LLC
- ❖ Rainone Coughlin Minchello
- ❖ Weiner Law Group
- ❖ Ruderman & Roth, LLC
- ❖ Marmero Law, LLC

#### **Litigation Counsel**

- ❖ Eric M. Bernstein & Associates, LLC
- ❖ Murphy Orlando, LLC
- ❖ Weiner Law Group, LLC
- ❖ Marmero Law, LLC
- ❖ Rutterman and Roth, LLC

#### **Solid Waste Counsel**

- ❖ Murphy Orlando, LLC
- ❖ Hawkins Delafield & Wood, LLC
- ❖ McManimon, Scotland & Bauman
- ❖ Cleary, Jacobbe, Alfieri, Jacobs, LLC