

# RESOLUTION

## OF THE

# UNION COUNTY UTILITIES AUTHORITY

Resolution No.: 12-2026 |  
Date: February 18, 2026

Approved as to form:

*Bianka Vargas*, Clerk

Approved as to sufficiency of funds:

*John Cuiffa* Acting Comptroller

[ ] YES [ ] NO [X] NONE REQUIRED

### ADOPTING A LIST OF FIRMS QUALIFIED TO PROVIDE VARIOUS SERVICES TO THE AUTHORITY PURSUANT TO A REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS AND PROPOSALS PROCESS

**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 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 Requests for Qualifications ("RFQ's") and Proposals ("RFP") for contract awards for such services required on and after the Authority's 2025 Reorganization through and until its Reorganization in 2026; and

**WHEREAS**, the Authority has established and implemented a procedure for such a process which includes: (1) public advertisement of the RFQ's/RFP's, on the Authority website for at least 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's/RFP's, consisting of the following individuals: Chairperson Raymond Szpond, Executive Director, Linda Stender, and Lisa M. da Silva, Deputy Executive Director/ Director of Administrative Services; and

**WHEREAS**, the Authority advertised the RFQ's/RFP's for various professional services on December 9, 2025 and on January 12, 2026; and

**WHEREAS**, the Authority received qualifications from various firms in response to the RFQ's/RFP's, which have all been reviewed by the evaluation committee and are available for public inspection; and

**WHEREAS**, the Authority wishes to adopt a list of firms deemed qualified to provide services to the Authority pursuant to the RFQ/RFP process, which is attached hereto.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE UNION COUNTY UTILITIES AUTHORITY** hereby adopts the attached 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.; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this resolution shall take effect immediately.



	PRESENT	ABSENT	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	MOTION	SECOND
<i>Eastman</i>							
<i>Figueiredo</i>							
<i>Holder</i>							
<i>Jackus</i>							
<i>Kahn</i>							
<i>McManus</i>							
<i>Rachlin</i>							
<i>Scutari</i>							
<i>Szpond</i>							
<i>Alma, Alternate No. 1</i>							
<i>Scott-Bey, Alternate No. 2</i>							

## ATTACHMENT A

### Qualified Firms for 2026

#### **Auditing Services**

- Wielkotz & Company, LLC

#### **Financial Advisor Services**

- Phoenix Advisors, LLC
- RBC Capital Markets, LLC
- NW Financial, N.A.
- Acacia Financial

#### **Financial And Accounting Consulting Services**

- Lerch, Vinci & Bliss, LLP

#### **General Engineering Services**

- Boswell Engineers
- CME Associates
- Neglia Engineering Associates

#### **General Insurance (Property and Liability) Consultant/Broker Services**

- Foundations Risk Partners, Corp. d/b/a  
Fairview Insurance Agency Associates

#### **Information Technology Services (RFQ/P)**

- Hindsight, Inc.

#### **Medical Services**

- Union County Healthcare Associates LLC
- Hackensack Meridian Team Health

#### **Monitoring Engineering Services**

- D&B Engineers and Architects of New  
Jersey, PC
- CME Associates, LLC

#### **Retirement Planning Services**

**No Responses - New RFQ issued, due  
3/4/26**

#### **Bankruptcy Counsel**

No Responses

#### **Bond Counsel**

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

#### **Enforcement Counsel**

- Weber Dowd Law, LLC

#### **General Counsel**

- Weber Dowd Law, LLC
- Decotiis Fitzpatrick, Cole and Giblin

#### **Labor Counsel**

- Eric M. Bernstein & Associates, LLC
- Hatfield Schwartz, Group, LLC

#### **Litigation Counsel**

- Eric M. Bernstein & Associates, LLC
- Hatfield Schwartz, Group, LLC

#### **Solid Waste Counsel**

- Hawkins, Delafield & Wood, LLP
- Cleary, Giacobbe, Alfieri & Jacobs, L.L.C.

