

Monday, December 2, 2019

The Honorable Elaine L. Chao  
Secretary  
U.S. Department of Transportation  
1200 New Jersey Avenue, S.E.  
Washington, DC 20590

Dear Secretary Chao,

In accordance with the Port Infrastructure Development Program (PIDP) information request received on Tuesday, November 26, 2019, Port Milwaukee and its partner, the DeLong Co., Inc., confirm their shared commitment to compliance with the Buy American Act in its future receipt and execution of a PIDP grant.

Port Milwaukee's grant application project, *Agricultural Maritime Export Facility: A Partnership for Economic Growth*, will develop an agricultural transload facility for bulk shipments in Milwaukee's inner harbor and is expected to be the first on the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence Seaway (GLSLS) system specifically for the transload and export of Dry Distillers Grain with Solubles (DDGs). Use of domestic products and American-made equipment is a priority of the Port, the DeLong Co., Inc., and the City of Milwaukee.

The Port will maintain compliance with the Buy American Act throughout its administration of the PIDP grant in numerous ways. All contracts for main component procurement will be publically bid and will include language requiring compliance with the Buy American Act. All materials used to improve Port property and enhance Port infrastructure for the facility will also be compliant with the Buy American Act.

In its commitment to the Buy American Act, multiple compliant vendors have already been identified, validated and vetted by the Port and the DeLong Co, Inc. for the procurement of major project components for the export facility. Examples used to generate the project budget in the grant application include:

**Major Project Components**

**Vetted Buy American Act Supplier**

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| • <i>Bollards (Steel)</i>                | Marine Structures (Morehead City, North Carolina)         |
| • <i>Sheet Piles</i>                     | Nucorskyline (Rock Hill, South Carolina)                  |
| • <i>Electrical Switch Gear/Controls</i> | Allen Bradley (Milwaukee, Wisconsin)                      |
| • <i>Electrical Wire</i>                 | South Wire (Carrollton, Georgia)                          |
| • <i>Electrical Conduit</i>              | Allied Tube and Conduit (Chicago, Illinois)               |
| • <i>Conveyors</i>                       | Hi Roller (Sioux Falls, South Dakota)                     |
| • <i>Bucket Elevators</i>                | Union Iron (Decatur, Illinois)                            |
| • <i>Towers</i>                          | Industrial Fabrication Services (Lake Crystal, Minnesota) |
| • <i>Receiving Building</i>              | Sukup Manufacturing (Sheffield, Iowa)                     |
| • <i>Storage Building</i>                | Legacy Buildings (South Haven, Minnesota)                 |
| • <i>Scale</i>                           | CompuWeigh (Woodbury, Connecticut)                        |
| • <i>Conveyor Bridges</i>                | Union Iron (Decatur, Illinois)                            |
| • <i>Vessel Loader</i>                   | Scharine Group (Whitewater, Wisconsin)                    |

Additional information about Port Milwaukee's grant application is available online at <https://portmilwaukee.com/Port-Mke/Commercial-Services/Agricultural-Export>.

Thank you for the ongoing consideration of Port Milwaukee's PIDP grant application.

Best regards,



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Director  
Port Milwaukee



David D. DeLong  
President  
The DeLong Co., Inc.

**cc:** Mr. Robert Bouchard; Director of Port Infrastructure Development, Maritime Administration  
Rear Admiral Mark H. Buzby; Administrator, Maritime Administration  
Mr. Craig Middlebrook; Deputy Administrator, Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation