



# MONTEREY PENINSULA ENGINEERING

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June 6, 2014

Mr. Frank Aguayo  
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**Re: Industrial Wastewater Conveyance System Improvement Proposal**

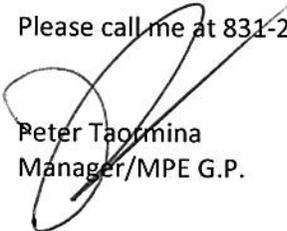
Mr. Aguayo

Per our previous discussions, MPE's proposal for the above mentioned project contained an error resulting in a bid price materially different than intended. The error involving bid item 35 was made by our bid delivery clerk who inadvertently entered \$5.00/LF bid item 35 (furnish and install 36" IW sewer). This unit price (\$5.00) is only a fraction of the cost needed to complete this item and in fact does not even cover sales taxes on the required materials.

Based on the clerical nature of this error and its magnitude relative to our total bid price (over 15%), we must regretfully request relief from our bid.

We attest these facts are true and made under penalty of perjury.

Please call me at 831-277-6112 if you have any questions.

  
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Pursuant to Public Contract Code Section 5103, Monterey Peninsula Engineering hereby requests relief for the above-referenced project as a result of an inadvertent clerical error in our bid proposal. The clerical error has subjected our bid proposal to be materially different than what it was intended to be. The error was made in completing our bid proposal and is not due to an error in judgment or carelessness inspecting the work site or in reading the plans or specifications.

The error involving bid item 35 was made by our bid delivery clerk who inadvertently entered \$5.00/LF bid item 35 (furnish and install 36" IW sewer). This unit price (\$5.00) is only a fraction of the cost needed to complete this item. Attached to this letter I have included my declaration explaining the mistake.

The mistake was a simple clerical error and not an error in judgment. If you require additional documentation or explanation of this clerical error, please contact the undersigned. We will provide whatever you require to assist you in your determination.

Monterey Peninsula Engineering respectfully requests that it be relieved from its bid on the above-referenced project. Please accept our sincere apology for any inconvenience this may have caused and we appreciate your understanding in this important matter. We look forward to your fair and equitable consideration of this matter. Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at (831-381-4081) or via email at [Peter@mpe2000.com](mailto:Peter@mpe2000.com).

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## Declaration of Monterey Peninsula Engineering

I Peter Taormina, declare:

1. I am a general contractor licensed by the State of California and a principal in the Monterey Peninsula Engineering, I am aware of all facts set fourth in this declaration of my own personal knowledge and can competently testify to said facts if called upon to do so.
2. Our company submitted a bid to the City of Salinas to perform work on the
3. Bids for the Project were opened on May 21<sup>st</sup> 2014. Subsequent to the bid-opening, we reviewed the bid we submitted and discovered that we had made a clerical/arithmetical error in preparing our bid. The amount of the error was \$289/linear foot. If the error had not been made, our bid for this item would have been increased by that amount.
4. I have attached our marked-up bid sheet for the Project which shows where and how the error was made. The error occurred in relation to Bid Item No. 35 and 37
5. The error of \$289/linear foot as described herein renders the bid materially different from the bid we intended.
6. The above-reference mistake was a clerical error made in filling out the bid and was not the result of carelessness in inspecting the site of the work, or in reading the plans.
7. If the City requires any additional explanation of the error, I am available at a mutually convenient time to provide that explanation.

I declare under penalty of perjury of the State if California that the forgoing is true and correct.  
Executed this 5<sup>th</sup> day of June 2014, California.



Peter Taormina  
Manager/MPE G.P.