

RESOLUTION 2026-004

WHEREAS, there exists a need for the services of a Licensed Wastewater Operator and Licensed Collection System Operator services for The Bordentown Sewerage Authority; and

WHEREAS, funds are available for this purpose and a certificate of availability of funds has been provided by the designated certifying finance officer and is attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq. requires that the Resolution authorizing the award of contract for "professional services" without competitive bids and the resulting contract must be available for public inspection; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law further requires that a Notice of the award of the contract be printed as a legal advertisement; and

WHEREAS, this contract was awarded after a fair and open process.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by The Bordentown Sewerage Authority this 20th day of January, 2026, as follows:

1. De Block Environmental, LLC, be and the same is hereby appointed as Licensed Wastewater Operator and Licensed Collection System Operator for The Bordentown Sewerage Authority. The term of appointment is effective January 20, 2026 and shall be for a term of one year.

2. This contract is awarded without competitive bidding after a fair and open process as a "professional service" in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a) of the Local Public Contracts Law because said contract encompasses a professional service recognized, and regulated by law.

3. The Chair and Secretary are hereby authorized and directed to execute the professional services contract with De Block Environmental, LLC.

4. Notice of this action shall be published once as a legal advertisement in the official newspaper of The Bordentown Sewerage Authority within ten days of its adoption.

THE BORDENTOWN SEWERAGE AUTHORITY

By: M. Ellen Gulbinsky
M. Ellen Gulbinsky, Chairwoman

ATTEST:

Aneka Miller
Aneka Miller, Secretary

I have reviewed this resolution and the certificate of availability of funds and am satisfied that an appropriate certificate of availability has been provided.

Anthony T. Drollas, Jr.
Anthony T. Drollas, Jr., Esquire
General Counsel

CERTIFICATE OF AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

I, Elizabeth J. Kwelty, Administrative Manager and Certifying Finance Officer of The Bordentown Sewerage Authority, do hereby certify, pursuant to the rules of the Department of Community Affairs, Division of Local Government Services (N.J.A.C. 5:34-5.1 et seq.), that there are available adequate funds for the following proposed contract:

CONTRACT: Licensed Wastewater Operator and Licensed Collection System Operator

CONTRACT NUMBER: 2026-C3

CONTRACTOR: De Block Environmental, LLC

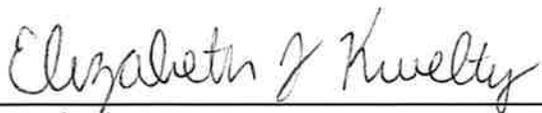
CONTRACT AMOUNT: See Attachment A

BUDGETARY LINE ITEM: 01-001-609A

I certify that the same funds have not been certified as available for more than one pending contract.

01/20/2026

Date



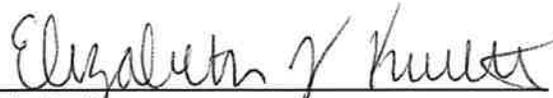
Elizabeth J. Kwelty
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Certifying Finance Officer

Special situations (check all that apply):

- A.) The Authority is operating under a temporary budget and:
- 1. the full cost of the contract is certified against the temporary budget; or
 - 2. only the pro rata amount of the contract is charged against the temporary budget and the contract contains a clause making its continuation past the date subject to a further appropriation of sufficient funds.
- B.) This contract is an open-ended contract for goods at a unit price up to a maximum amount and:
- 1. the full maximum amount permitted by the contract is being certified; or
 - 2. the amount of the purchase shall be certified at the time that such goods are ordered by attaching the certificate of availability to the file copy of the purchase order.
- C.) This 12-month contract does not coincide with the fiscal year and:
- 1. the full cost of the contract is hereby certified against the budget of the year in which the contract is awarded; or
 - 2. the amounts for which liability is to be incurred is hereby certified against the two respective budgets at this time.
- D.) This is a multi-year contract and:
- 1. this contract is for construction and related services and the full amount of the contract is hereby certified to the current budget; or
 - 2. this is not a construction contract, and the availability of funds will be certified to the respective budgets at the time that the goods or services are ordered.

01/20/2026

Date



Elizabeth J. Kwelty
Certifying Finance Officer

ATTACHMENT "A"

 **DE BLOCK
ENVIRONMENTAL
SERVICES, LLC**

*Water and Wastewater Specialists
Licensed Operations, Utility Management,
Consulting, and Laboratory Services
Electrical Lic. No. 11979*

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January 3, 2026

Mr. Charles W, Bluhm, Jr.
Executive Director
Bordentown Sewerage Authority
954 Farnsworth Ave
Bordentown, NJ 08505

Re: Request for Proposal
Licensed Wastewater Operations Services

Mr. Bluhm;

As requested, De Block Environmental Services, LLC (DES) is pleased to submit the following proposal for consideration.

The principals of De Block Environmental Services have provided licensed operations coverage and utility consulting services to water and wastewater utilities through New Jersey since 1982. We have standing operations contracts throughout the State of New Jersey, New York City and Southern New York State serving public, private and industrial operations. In addition to licensed operations and maintenance we are licensed NJ Electrical Contractors and provide an array of mechanical and electrical services to the water and wastewater industry.

Attached please find a Statement of Qualifications which details both the individual and company experience providing Licensed Operations Services to water and wastewater utilities. References and a listing of where similar services are provided are included within the attached Statement of Qualifications.

De Block Environmental Services, LLC will provide licensed operation coverage and utility consulting services, as listed in the attached Scope of Services, for the above referenced system. All regularly scheduled weekday onsite operations (35 hours / week) will be billed at the discounted rate of \$145/hour. Additional Services will be invoiced according to our attached standard rates.

**De Block Environmental Services, LLC.
Standard Hourly Rates (Non Prevailing Wage Projects)
Effective January 1, 2026**

De Block Environmental Services, LLC will provide process consulting, environmental consulting, laboratory, maintenance and repair services to sewerage and water facilities including replacement parts, major repairs and emergency callout coverage on a time and materials basis, billed on the following schedule:

Employee Grade	Hourly rate Monday to Friday 7AM to 5PM	Hourly rate Saturdays & Evenings	Hourly rate Sundays & Holidays
Division I	\$100.00	\$110.00	\$120.00
Division II	\$110.00	\$120.00	\$130.00
Division III	\$130.00	\$140.00	\$150.00
Division IV	\$150.00	\$160.00	\$170.00
Division V	\$170.00	\$180.00	\$190.00
Division VI	\$180.00		

Division I - Operator trainees, environmental technicians, laboratory technicians, repairmen helpers, mechanics helpers, and laborers.

Division II - Class 1 New Jersey licensed water, wastewater and industrial operators and construction inspectors.

Division III - Class 2 New Jersey licensed water, wastewater and industrial operators, draftsman and environmental technicians.

Division IV - Class 3 licensed water, wastewater and industrial operator, assistant project managers, journeymen electricians, journeymen plumbers, certified welders, machinists, pipefitters, laboratory supervisors, senior environmental technicians and senior draftsman.

Division V - Class 4 licensed water, wastewater and industrial operator senior managers for process design assistance, Construction Managers, Instrumentation Integrators/Designers, NJ Licensed Electricians, NJ Licensed Plumbers and NJ Licensed Municipal Purchasing Agents.

Division VI - Principals and Project Directors/Technical Managers.

Other Items:

- **Materials billed at manufacturers cost plus 20%.**
- **Electrical or plumbing permits if required at cost plus 10%.**
- **Subcontractors billed at cost plus 20%.**
- **Emergency call outs are portal to portal, from Woodland Park, NJ. In no case more than 1 hour of travel time will be invoiced for travel, with a 4 hour minimum.**
- **Mileage will be invoiced at the current "IRS Standard Mileage Rate for Business" \$.70 per mile for 2025.**
- **Administrative Assistant: \$60.00 per hour.**
- **Per Diem: \$195.00 per day includes lodging and meals.**
- **Confined Space Entry: \$150.00/hour/crew member (minimum of three crew members). Rate is portal to portal, from Woodland Park, NJ. In no case more than 1 hour of travel time will be invoiced for travel, with a 4 hour minimum.**