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To whom it may concern:

I would like to express my appreciation on the excellent Construction Services that Ortiz Group Engineering has provided to the U.S. Coast Guard Civil Engineering Unit Miami. They have successfully performed several large construction projects under the SBA 8(a) Program in the challenging location of Puerto Rico, for the last 4-5 years. The projects performed have been a wide range of construction services which include Family Housing Swimming Pool Renovations, Fuel Tank Removal and several phases of Family Housing Renovations.

Ortiz Group Engineering is currently performing Housing Complex Renovation Phase V, at U.S. Coast Guard Rio Bayamon, PR. They are very good at communicating on all issues with our on-site Inspector, the Construction Manager, the Unit and the Contracting Officer. Their paperwork is very good and timely. They have always been helpful at recommending alternative solutions when things do not work out as the design shows. This is very helpful since the design staff for the Coast Guard is located in Miami. This is a phased project with multiple houses being worked on each year until they are all renovated. It would be beneficial for the Coast Guard to have Ortiz Group Engineering continue with these phased projects as they now have the suppliers and subcontractors performing the renovations almost in an assembly line like manner. The methods they have in place benefit the Coast Guard as moving personnel into housing can be planned because they are able to maintain their performance schedule.

Because of Ortiz Group Engineering s' experience, knowledge and excellent performance, we hope that we are able to continue working with this firm in the future and anticipate issuing another Request for Proposal in July 2013, for Housing Complex Renovations Phase VI at U.S. Coast Guard Rio Bayamon, PR under the SBA 8(a) Program.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Odalys McGee".

ODALYS MCGEE
Contracting Officer
U.S. Coast Guard