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Hi Adam:

Attached please find a letter requesting OEA's approval of ICF as its environmental consultant.

Thanks,

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VIA EMAIL

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RE: STB Docket No. FD 36406, Port Authority of Kansas City – Construction and Operation
Exemption–In Jackson and Clay Counties MO

Dear Mr Assenza:

In accordance with 49 CFR §1105.10(d), the Port Authority of Kansas City (“Port KC”) respectfully requests approval of the environmental consulting firm, ICF Jones & Stokes, Inc. (“ICF”) to work with the Office of Environmental Analysis (“OEA”) to prepare the necessary environmental documentation associated with Port KC’s proposed construction and operation of a new rail line (“the Line”). Port KC anticipates filing an individual Petition for Exemption under 49 U.S.C. §10901 to permit it to construct and own the Line.¹ ICF has been identified by OEA as an entity that is qualified to serve as a third-party consultant for railroad-related projects.

We expect ICF’s work to be performed under the OEA’s direction, supervision, and control pursuant to 49 CFR §1105(d). Further, we expect ICF to undertake this project in accordance with the OEA’s requirements for disclosure and pursuant to a memorandum of understanding to be entered among OEA, ICF, and Port KC.

We can confirm that ICF is not presently engaged in any other projects for Port KC.

Sincerely,



Justin J. Marks
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¹ Port KC intends to contract with an existing carrier to conduct the rail operations.