DATE: October 31, 2014

SUBJECT: **Design/Build Contract with a Guaranteed Maximum Price (DB w/GMP)**

East Halls Renovation and New Residence Hall,
University Park

TO: Short Listed Teams

Clayco/DLA Architecture/Mackey Mitchell Architects
Gilbane/Newman Architects/Bohlin Cywinski Jackson
Whiting-Turner/Ewing Cole

The Screening Committee has selected the above listed teams for submission to the Board of Trustees Subcommittee on Architect/Engineer Selection. Interviews will be conducted at The Nittany Lion Inn, University Park on Wednesday November 12, 2014. The interview schedule is as follows:

- Clayco/DLA/Mackey Mitchell    9:30 A.M. – 11:30 A.M.    Mt. Nittany Room
- Gilbane/Newman/BCJ           12:15 P.M. –    2:15 P.M.    Mt. Nittany Room
- Whiting-Turner/Ewing Cole    2:30 P.M. –    4:30 P.M.    Faculty Staff Club

The interviews will be 2 hours long with each team limited to no more than 60 minutes for their presentation allowing us 60 minutes for follow-up questions. The interview rooms will be available half an hour before your assigned time. In preparation for your interview, we have several general questions/comments that we would like you to address as part of your presentation:

- Each team has included specific aesthetic features in your proposed building concepts. While we are intrigued by many of the strategies being proposed, we are not ready to fully accept these designs as presented. If chosen to do this project, what degree of flexibility do you propose and how would you incorporate our input?
- There are a number of strategies being presented regarding the area between the towers, some more aggressive than others. We want you to be very specific about your proposal(s) for this area, including Fisher Hall and their impact on the budget.
- If your proposal incorporates alternates or additional features that have budget implications, please be prepared to address them in detail.
- Clarify any staffing changes that you may be suggesting.
- Be prepared to address your concept’s impact on energy usage and total cost of ownership.
- Regarding the new building, we would like you to focus on the Park Avenue site.

It is most important to us that the key team members assigned to this project and any major consultants be present for the interview; however, please limit the number of team attendees to twelve. A projection screen will be provided for your use.
In the event that your team is selected, we will show the Board of Trustees examples representative of your work; with this in mind, we require that you submit to us photographs in digital format no later than 12:00 noon on Monday November 10, 2014. Requirements for the photographs are described in the attached sheet. It is important that the photographs be representative of housing projects of similar scope to this one. The result of the interviews will be announced at the Board of Trustees meeting on Friday November 14, 2014 and posted to our website.

Please do not hesitate to call me if we can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

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REQUIREMENTS FOR COLOR PHOTOGRAPHS OF BUILT PROJECTS

Examples of built projects by members of the Design/Build entity are required for presentation to the Board of Trustees as part of the approval process. Images will be used for a Powerpoint presentation and will be projected with a 16:9 aspect ratio (widescreen).

The CM and the Architect, each, should submit approximately (12) high quality exterior and (6) high quality interior photos, including a very brief description of each photo. Photos must be of BUILT projects and should be relevant to the proposed project. Joint projects are preferred. Hand drawn renderings, computer drawn renderings and models, and photos of study models will NOT be accepted. It is highly recommended that interior shots include people using the space. Please send digital photographs that meet the following minimum standards.

Minimum photo dimensions:
6.5 x 10 inches (975 x 1500 pixels)
Minimum resolution: 150 pixels/inch

(Photos will be inserted into Powerpoint at a maximum resolution of 220 pixels/inch)

Preferred photo formats: .tif, .jpg, .png, .gif for use in a PC environment

File transfer methods:
-email is preferred with a maximum attachment file size of about 10mb/email.
-Files may be zipped (compressed) using WinZip and/or emailed individually.
-FTP sites with explicit instructions or user-friendly interfaces
-photos on CD-rom.

Photos should NOT contain any text. A descriptive reference document should be included that provides a project name and location for each photo. Please send to:

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Please don’t hesitate to call or email with any questions or concerns.