

Response to Statement of Qualifications for

**STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS RELATED TO
MISCELLANEOUS ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES
SOQ: 22-054**

RESOLUTION NO. 140859

Submittal Date: January 6, 2023



**Jefferson
Parish**

State of Louisiana

Submitted by:



Technical Evaluation Committee (TEC) Questionnaire
Instructions

- The Technical Evaluation Committee (TEC) Questionnaire shall be used for professional services related to architecture, engineering, or survey projects.
- **The TEC Questionnaire should be completely filled out. Complete and attach ALL sections. Insert “N/A” or “None” if a section does not apply or if there is no information to provide.**
- Questionnaire must be signed by an authorized representative of the Firm. Failure to sign the questionnaire shall result in disqualification of proposer pursuant to J.P. Code of Ordinances Sec. 2-928.
- All subcontractors must be listed in the appropriate section of the Questionnaire. Each subcontractor must provide a complete copy of the TEC Questionnaire, applicable licenses, and any other information required by the advertisement. Failure to provide the subcontractors' complete questionnaire(s), applicable licenses, and any other information required by the advertisement shall result in disqualification of proposer pursuant to J.P. Code of Ordinances Sec. 2-928.
- If additional pages are needed, attach them to the questionnaire and include all applicable information that is required by the questionnaire.

TEC Professional Services Questionnaire

A. Project Name and Advertisement Resolution Number:

STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS RELATED TO
MISCELLANEOUS ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES
RESOLUTION NO. 140859 – SOQ: 22-054

B. Firm Name & Address:

AIMS Group, Inc.
4421 Zenith Street
Metairie, LA 70001

C. Name, title and contact information of Principal, as defined in Section 2-926 of the Jefferson Parish Code of Ordinances, who is a registered, licensed architect, professional engineer, or surveyor in the State of Louisiana:

Mr. Thomas R. L’Hoste, P.E., President/Principal Engineer
(504) 887-7045
trl@aimsgroupinc.com

D. Name and contact information of employee who is a registered and licensed architect, professional engineer, or surveyor in the State of Louisiana in the applicable discipline. A subcontractor may be substituted here only if the advertised Project requires more than one discipline.

Mr. Thomas R. L’Hoste, P.E., President/Principal Engineer
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E. Please provide the number of employees whose primary function corresponds with each category:

4__ Administrative	___ Estimators	___ Specification Writers
___ Architects (Licensed)	___ Geologists	2__ Structural Engineers
___ Chemical Engineers	___ Geotechnical Engineers	___ Graduate Engineers
5__ Civil Engineers	___ Interior Designers	1__ Project Managers
2__ Construction Inspectors	___ Landscape Architects	2__ Clerical
1__ Ecologists	___ Land Surveyor	1__ Grant/Funding Specialist
1__ Electrical Engineers	1__ Mechanical Engineers	2__ Designers
2__ Engineer Intern	1__ Environmental Engineers	* Denotes Dual Discipline
___ Professional Land Surveyors	___	25__ TOTAL

F. Is this submittal by a JOINT-VENTURE? Please check: YES NO

If marked “No” skip to Section I. If marked “yes” complete Sections G-H.

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G. If submittal is by JOINT-VENTURE, list the firms participating and outline specific areas of responsibility (including administrative, technical, and financial) for each firm. Please attach additional pages if necessary.

1. Not Applicable.

2.

**H. Has this JOINT-VENTURE previously worked together? Please check:
YES NO**

I. List all subcontractors anticipated for this Project. Please note that all subcontractors must submit a fully completed copy of this questionnaire, applicable licenses, and any other information required by the advertisement. See Jefferson Parish Code of Ordinances, Sec. 2-928(a)(3). Please attach additional pages if necessary.

Name & Address:	Specialty:	Worked with Firm Before (Yes or No):
1. NA		
2.		
3.		

J. Please specify the total number of support personnel that may assist in the completion of this Project:

Five (5)

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K. List the professional in charge, key persons, specialists, and individual consultants anticipated for this Project and provide their relevant information below. If necessary, please attach additional documentation (i.e. resume) that demonstrates the employment history and experience of the Firm's key persons that may assist in the completion of this Project. Please attach additional pages if necessary.

PROFESSIONAL IN CHARGE OF PROJECT:

Name & Title:

**Thomas L'Hoste, P.E., President/
Principal Engineer**

Project Assignment:

Principal Engineer-In-Charge

Name of Firm with which associated:



Years' experience with this Firm:

25 years

Education: Degree(s)/Year/Specialization:

B.S. / 1994 / Civil Engineering / UNO

Active registration: Year first registered/discipline:

Professional Engineer – Civil Louisiana #E-28221;
Louisiana Residential Contractor's License #881021
Louisiana Commercial Contractor's License #55581; LDEQ Certified Asbestos Designer; LDEQ Certified Asbestos Management Planner; LDEQ Certified Asbestos Inspector

Other experience and qualifications relevant to the proposed Project:

Mr. L'Hoste is the President of AIMS Group, Inc. He has (25) twenty-five years of experience involving design and construction management of varying types of civil/structural projects, including various coastal flood protection projects and environmental design. He has served as Principal Engineer at AIMS Group, Inc. for more than 50 relative projects associated with hurricane flood protection projects and coastal restoration with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Mr. L'Hoste is a LDEQ Certified Asbestos Abatement Project Designer and has prepared asbestos abatement designs documents for numerous schools, commercial buildings and state buildings. He also has experience in supervising Phase I Environmental Site Assessments and asbestos & lead-based paint inspection, monitoring and management projects. These projects are most closely related to those listed in the solicitation that relate to coastal/wetland restoration, design, implementation, planning and permitting. Below is a very brief example of Mr. L'Hoste's most relevant experience:

- **University of New Orleans, LA State Office of Facility Planning and Control, Prime Environmental Designer, 2006-14:** AIMS was awarded this environmental assessment by the Louisiana State Office of Facility Planning and Control as part of the UNO campus-wide recovery from Hurricane Katrina. AIMS personnel performed site-specific environmental assessments for approximately 20 campus buildings, including the Earl K. Long Library. The environmental services provided included the following: performing asbestos, lead and mold site assessments; preparing remediation design and corrective plan; providing project oversight and daily air monitoring; and, providing final clearance sampling for all remediation activities.

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- **Hurricane Katrina Pre-Demolition Environmental Assessments, St. Bernard Parish, Prime Environmental Designer and Planner (7000+ Structures) & Disaster Management, 2006-10:** AIMS Group provided disaster management and pre-demolition environmental assessment inspection services that included asbestos, mold, lead and other hazardous materials for approximately 7,000 structures throughout St. Bernard Parish following Hurricane Katrina.
- **3-Year Re-Inspection Program, Jefferson Parish School Board, Prime Environmental Assessment Designer, 2013-14, 2017-2020:** AIMS performed a 3-year re-inspection for the Jefferson Parish School Board by performing environmental assessments on the 80+ member schools. This included visual assessments, collection of bulk samples and interpreting laboratory results of hazardous materials.
- **Restore Louisiana Recovery & Resiliency Program, May 2017–2021:** As part of HUD’s Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) Program, AIMS, as a sub to IEM, assisted in the development and in leading the lead-based site evaluations by current site conditions observed by the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality Accredited Risk Assessor that include, visual assessments, lead-based paint inspections, lead-based paint inspection and environmental risk assessments, and post-hazard mitigation (abatement and/or non-abatement) clearance. Analyze programmatic data to provide proactive guidance, utilizing project database analysis. Develop and implement recovery plans, strategies and tools for effective program and funding management.
- **L&A Road Categorical Exclusion, Jefferson Parish:** AIMS Group was selected to obtain a categorical exclusion determination in accordance with the NEPA process and requirements. We were responsible for development and preparation of a categorical exclusion document in conformance with NEPA requirements, which included preparation of a Phase I Environmental Site Assessment Report, a Phase II ESA, a Noise Analysis Report and a detailed Solicitation of Views from Stakeholders.
- **RBEND II – Borrow Pit (1500 Acres), St. John The Baptist Parish:** AIMS Group provided environmental consulting and permitting services for a proposed clay borrow pit in La Place, St. John the Baptist Parish, Louisiana in order to fulfill the environmental clearance requirements set forth by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Environmental consulting services needed to meet the Corps requirements included: Phase I Environmental Site Assessment, Phase II Environmental Assessment, Wetland Technical Report and Obtaining Jurisdictional Determination, Phase I Cultural Resource Assessment Report, Threatened and Endangered Species Report to be Approved by U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Coastal Use Permit, and LPDES Permit for Storm water runoff. The project also included the decommissioning of three old subsurface fuel holding tanks.
- **Mississippi River Long Distance Sediment Pipeline – Phase 2, Jefferson Parish, 2015-Present:** Mr. L’Hoste serves as the Contract Lead on this coastal project. AIMS is responsible for assisting in the preparation of the Joint Permit Application and all supporting documents, including providing the 30% preliminary engineering design for this very important coastal project.
- **Bayside Segmented Breakwater Shoreline Protection, Grand Isle Independent Levee District, 2016-Present:** Mr. L’Hoste serves as the Project lead for this shoreline protection project. AIMS is in the process of assisting with a Joint Environmental Application and supporting documents and with the preliminary design to help reduce erosion of wetland marsh areas on the bay side of Grand Isle by installing approximately 2.4 miles of segmented rock breakwaters along the perimeter of the wetlands.
- **Lafitte Tidal Protection Levee – Crown Point Basin, Lafitte Levee District, 2014-Present:** Mr. L’Hoste serves as principal engineer of the AIMS Group team that will provide engineering design for construction of a tidal protection levee around Crown Point. The levee system construction consists of approximately 7,700 linear feet of frontal protection along Bayou Baratavia; approximately 8,600 linear feet of frontal protection along Bayou Des Families and approximately 5,700 linear feet of existing levees and berms along LA HWY 3134 shall be modified (widened and/or lifted to a crown height of 7.5 feet N.G.V.D or higher).

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KEY PERSON, SPECIALIST, OR INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANT:
Name & Title:
Lowell Pitre, P.E., Senior Project Manager
Project Assignment:
Project Manager/Design Review
Name of Firm with which associated:
 <p>AIMS Group, Inc. Consulting Engineers 4421 Zenith Street Metairie, LA 70001</p>
Years' experience with this Firm:
With this firm: <u>10</u> With other firms: <u>30</u>
Education: Degree(s)/Year/Specialization:
B.S. / 1981 / Civil Engineering / LSU
Active registration: Year first registered/discipline:
Year registered: 1987 Branch: Civil Engineering State: LA . License No.: PE-22829
Other experience and qualifications relevant to the proposed Project:
<p>Mr. Pitre has 40 years of experience involving design and construction management of varying types of projects. He has served as project manager and senior project engineer for many design projects for city and parish governments, the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (LADOTD) and the Louisiana Department of Natural Resources, Coastal Restoration Division, including streets, drainage, sewer, bridges, levees and other flood protection and coastal restoration projects. Mr. Pitre has excellent knowledge and experience and has designed and managed many different projects very successfully. A brief sample of the coastal restoration projects that he was involved in are below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • West Pointe A La Hache And Lareussite Freshwater Diversions, Plaquemines Parish: Mr. Pitre assisted in the project management for the outfall management plan and hydrodynamic modeling of the West Pointe a la Hache and LaReussite freshwater diversions. Analysis included two-dimensional modeling of flow in marshes to determine hydrodynamic data and water constituent dispersion. • SLFPFA -West Levee District Engineering and Construction Levee Lift, West Jefferson and Orleans Parish: AIMS GROUP was selected in 2015 to provide engineering support to SLFPA-West levee district, which includes preparation of plans and specifications, bid documents, all environmental permitting requirements, engineering review of projects, emergency response assistance and construction administration. AIMS was responsible for designing levee lifts and construction management for 4 different levee reaches. Mr. Pitre serves as the AIMS Group Project Manager. • Levee Inspection and Reporting Process, Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority – East: Mr. Pitre provided an analysis and recommendations for improvement to the quarterly levee inspection and levee inspection reporting process as performed by the Orleans, East Jefferson, and Lake Borgne Basin Levee Districts. A report was developed containing recommendations to improve the levee inspection and reporting process for the Levee Districts in SLFPA-East. AIMS is currently providing SLFPA – East with Coastal Use Permit assistance.

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 - **Bohemia Spillway Structure Restoration, Bohemia, La:** Mr. Pitre was a Project Engineer for preparation of plans and specifications for the design of the restoration of the Bohemia Spillway structure in Plaquemines Parish, LA. The structure was being restored for use in coastal restoration efforts. Design included restoration of intake and outfall channels, walkway replacement and new concrete wingwall installation.
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 - **Main Pass Small Sediment Diversions, Plaquemines Parish:** Mr. Pitre was the project manager for preparation of plans and specifications for the design of small sediment diversions in the Delta Wildlife Management Area near Main Pass at the mouth of the Mississippi River. The project consisted of excavation to develop small breaches in the banks of small river passes to distribute River sediment to aid in the creation of marsh land.
 - **Coastal Restoration Feasibility Studies – Louisiana DNR:** Mr. Pitre served as Project Manager and Project Engineer for feasibility contract with Louisiana Department of Natural Resources, Coastal Restoration Division to develop alternative design solutions for seventeen coastal restoration engineering projects in southern Louisiana. Projects included shoreline stabilization and wetland conservation and restoration.
 - **Vegetative Ridge and Marsh Creation, Plaquemines Parish:** AIMS Group was awarded two marsh creation projects: Bayou Au Noire and Reach C by Plaquemines Parish. AIMS is providing environmental\coastal design and permitting engineering services relative to these two Restore Act marsh creation and ridge restoration projects. Mr. Pitre serves as the AIMS Group engineer in charge, providing design recommendations and other project leadership responsibilities.
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Name & Title:
Mr. Alan Jurisich, CIH Certified Industrial Hygienist
Project Assignment:
Senior Environmental Consultant\QA - QC
Name of Firm with which associated:
 <p>AIMS Group, Inc. Consulting Engineers 4421 Zenith Street Metairie, LA 70001</p>
Years' experience with this Firm:
With this firm: <u>12</u> With other firms: <u>34</u>
Education: Degree(s)/Year/Specialization:
B.S./ 1969 / Microbiology M.S./ 1972 / Hygiene
Active registration: Year first registered/discipline:
Year registered: 1976 AIHA Certified Industrial Hygienist (#1024)
Other experience and qualifications relevant to the proposed Project:
<p>Mr. Jurisich has forty (40) years of environmental experience including indoor air pollution, general industrial hygiene practice, occupational disease liability risk assessment, workplace exposure assessment, bioaerosol exposure assessment, bio-remediation, environmental impairment liability, environmental risk assessment, underground storage tank risk assessment and workplace re-entry assessment. In addition, Mr. Jurisich has qualified as an Expert Witness in more than ten (10) states. Alan has served as an instructor for the American Academy of Environmental and Occupational Physicians Conference, Tulane University, Southeastern University and various seminars. His extensive experience in all aspects of the environmental field has proven invaluable over the years. Alan holds special qualifications in Workplace Re-entry Assessment, Indoor Air Pollution and Workplace exposure Assessments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • L&A Road Categorical Exclusion, Jefferson Parish: AIMS Group was selected to obtain a categorical exclusion determination in accordance with the NEPA process and requirements. We were responsible for development and preparation of a categorical exclusion document in conformance with NEPA requirements, which included preparation of a Phase 1 Environmental Site Assessment Report, a Phase II ESA, a Noise Analysis Report and a detailed Solicitation of Views from Stakeholders. • 3-Year Re-Inspection Program, Jefferson Parish School Board, Prime Environmental Assessment Designer, 2013-14, 2017-20: AIMS performed a 3-year re-inspection for the Jefferson Parish School Board by performing environmental assessments on the 80+ member schools. This included visual assessments, collection of bulk samples and interpreting laboratory results of hazardous materials. • RBEND II – Borrow Pit (1500 Acres), St. John The Baptist Parish: AIMS Group provided environmental consulting and permitting services for a proposed clay borrow pit in La Place, St. John the Baptist Parish, Louisiana in order to fulfill the environmental clearance requirements set forth by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Environmental consulting services needed to meet the Corps requirements included: Phase I Environmental Site

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Assessment, Phase II Environmental Assessment, Wetland Technical Report and Obtaining Jurisdictional Determination, Phase I Cultural Resource Assessment Report, Threatened and Endangered Species Report to be Approved by U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Coastal Use Permit, and LPDES Permit for Storm water runoff. The project also included the decommissioning of three old subsurface fuel holding tanks.

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- **3-Year Re-Inspection Program, Jefferson Parish School Board, Prime Environmental Assessment Designer, 2019-20:** AIMS performed a 3-year re-inspection for the Jefferson Parish School Board by performing environmental assessments on the 80+ member schools. This included visual assessments, collection of bulk samples and interpreting laboratory results of hazardous materials.
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Name & Title:
Kirk J. Juneau Environmental Specialist
Project Assignment:
Environmental Manager
Name of Firm with which associated:
 <p>AIMS Group, Inc. Consulting Engineers 4421 Zenith Street Metairie, LA 70001</p>
Years' experience with this Firm:
With this firm: <u>32</u> With other firms: <u>0</u>
Education: Degree(s)/Year/Specialization:
Active registration: Year first registered/discipline:
LDEQ Certified Asbestos Designer; LDEQ Certified Asbestos Contractor/Supervisor; LDEQ Certified Asbestos Inspector; NIOSH 582 Hygienist; Certified Lead Inspector; Certified Mold Inspector
Other experience and qualifications relevant to the proposed Project:
<p>Mr. Juneau has over thirty (30) years of experience in diversified environmental projects, including asbestos, lead-based paint and mold inspections; asbestos abatement and mold remediation design; remediation and abatement supervision; and indoor air quality assessments, monitoring and soil & water sampling, Phase I and II assessments, emergency management and close out reports. He has successfully managed and/or performed over 1000 environmental assessments, inspections, remediation designs and air monitoring projects for both public and private industries. He has excellent working knowledge of EPA, AHERA, RCRA, NESHAP, NIOSH, ACGIH, AIHA, LA DEQ and OSHA regulations and Guidelines, having develop certain assessment protocols.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3-Year Re-Inspection Program, Jefferson Parish School Board: AIMS performed a 3-year re-inspection for the Jefferson Parish School Board by performing environmental assessments on the 80+ member schools. This included visual assessments, collection of bulk samples and interpreting laboratory results of hazardous materials. Mr. Juneau managed these projects. • University of New Orleans, LA State Office of Facility Planning and Control: AIMS was awarded this environmental assessment by the Louisiana State Office of Facility Planning and Control as part of the UNO campus-wide recovery from Hurricane Katrina. AIMS personnel performed site-specific environmental assessments for approximately 20 campus buildings, including the Earl K. Long Library. The environmental services provided included the following: performing asbestos, lead and mold site assessments; preparing remediation design and corrective plan; providing project oversight and daily air monitoring; and, providing final clearance sampling for all remediation activities. Mr. Juneau managed this project. • Hurricane Katrina Pre-Demolition Environmental Assessments, St. Bernard Parish (7000+ Structures): AIMS Group provided disaster management and pre-demolition environmental assessment inspection services that included asbestos, mold, lead and other hazardous materials for approximately 7,000 structures throughout St. Bernard Parish

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- **Hurricane Katrina Related Repairs Asbestos, Lead and Mold Remediation Southern University at New Orleans (SUNO) - 12 Buildings, New Orleans, Louisiana:** Mr. Juneau served as the lead environmental consultant on this asbestos, lead and mold remediation project at SUNO. Some of the duties that he performed or supervised included: performing asbestos, lead and mold site assessments; preparing remediation design and corrective plan; providing project oversight and daily air monitoring; and, providing final clearance sampling for all remediation activities.
- **Pre-Demolition Asbestos, Lead-Based Paint and Hazardous Materials Remediation New Orleans State Office Bldg. and Annex, New Orleans, La:** Mr. Juneau managed a group of environmental inspectors responsible for the pre-demolition assessment of asbestos, lead-based paint and other hazardous environmental materials. Some of the duties that he performed or supervised on this project included: performing environmental site assessment, including asbestos, lead-based paint, PCBs and mercury; preparing hazardous materials remediation design and corrective plan; providing project oversight and daily air monitoring; and, providing final clearance sampling for all remediation activities.
- **Sherwood Forest, Osborne, And Lafon Elementary Schools Hazard Mitigation Demolition for The Louisiana Recovery School District:** Mr. Juneau worked with three local firms in New Orleans, Louisiana to provide environmental design services, construction inspections, and complete environmental and historical reviews for the demolition of three elementary schools as part of FEMA’s hazard mitigation efforts in New Orleans following Hurricane Katrina for the Recovery School District. Environmental services provided to the Recovery School District included: Phase I and II Environmental Site Assessments; construction inspections; site visits, milestone inspections; environmental documentation; construction plan review for FEMA program compliance; on-site supervision; and, final inspection.
- **City of Bogalusa, EPA Brownsfields Redevelopment Program:** AIMS Group is assisting the City of Bogalusa with 23 specific Brownsfield sites that were part of the City’s \$400,000 grant award to assess, clean, and redevelop contaminated properties. AIMS is in the process of performing 19 Phase I and 4 Phase II environmental site assessments and assisting with the development of two cleanup plans. Mr. Juneau is leading the AIMS team with these projects.
- **L&A Road Categorical Exclusion, Jefferson Parish:** AIMS Group was selected to obtain a categorical exclusion determination in accordance with the NEPA process and requirements. We were responsible for development and preparation of a categorical exclusion document in conformance with NEPA requirements, which included preparation of a Phase 1 Environmental Site Assessment Report, a Phase II ESA, a Noise Analysis Report and a detailed Solicitation of Views from Stakeholders. Mr. Juneau supervised this project.

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Name & Title:
Rodney Griggs Senior Environmental Inspector
Project Assignment:
Senior Environmental Inspector
Name of Firm with which associated:
 <p>AIMS Group, Inc. Consulting Engineers 4421 Zenith Street Metairie, LA 70001</p>
Years' experience with this Firm:
With this firm: <u>14</u> With other firms: <u>23</u>
Education: Degree(s)/Year/Specialization:
B.A. Architecture, 1989
Active registration: Year first registered/discipline:
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Other experience and qualifications relevant to the proposed Project:
<p>Mr. Griggs has over thirty (30) years of experience in diversified projects involving mold/fungi, asbestos, lead-based paint, PCB's, Indoor Air Quality, Phase I, Phase II and Environmental sampling of soil, water testing and test evaluations. He has extensive experience in asbestos, lead-based paint and mold/fungi remediation activities and has successfully supervised asbestos, lead and mold assessments, assisted with asbestos management planning, and has performed air monitoring during asbestos, lead and mold remediation. He has excellent working knowledge of EPA, AHERA, RCRA, NESHAP, NIOSH, and OSHA regulations and standards.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3-Year Re-Inspection Program, Jefferson Parish School Board: AIMS performed a 3-year re-inspection for the Jefferson Parish School Board by performing environmental assessments on the 80+ member schools. This included visual assessments, collection of bulk samples and interpreting laboratory results of hazardous materials. Mr. Griggs handled all field activities for these projects. • University of New Orleans, LA State Office of Facility Planning and Control: AIMS was awarded this environmental assessment by the Louisiana State Office of Facility Planning and Control as part of the UNO campus-wide recovery from Hurricane Katrina. AIMS personnel performed site-specific environmental assessments for approximately 20 campus buildings, including the Earl K. Long Library. The environmental services provided included the following: performing asbestos, lead and mold site assessments; preparing remediation design and corrective plan; providing project oversight and daily air monitoring; and, providing final clearance sampling for all remediation activities. Mr. Griggs handled all field activities for this project. • Hurricane Katrina Pre-Demolition Environmental Assessments, St. Bernard Parish (7000+ Structures): AIMS Group provided disaster management and pre-demolition environmental assessment inspection services that included asbestos, mold, lead and other hazardous materials for approximately 7,000 structures throughout St. Bernard Parish following Hurricane Katrina. Mr. Griggs handled all field activities for these projects.

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L. Work by Firm or Joint-Venture members which best illustrates current qualifications relevant to this Project. Please include any and all work performed for Jefferson Parish. Please attach additional pages if necessary.

PROJECT NO. 1

Project Name, Location and Owner's contact information:	Nature of Firm's Responsibility:	
<p>L&A Road Realignment Categorical Exclusion. Metairie, Louisiana</p> <p>Department of Capital Projects Gary Lehman, P.E. 1221 Elmwood Park Blvd., Suite 906 Jefferson, LA 70123 504-736-6779</p> 	<p>AIMS GROUP was selected to obtain a categorical exclusion determination in accordance with the NEPA process and requirements. We were responsible for development and preparation of a categorical exclusion document in conformance with NEPA requirements, which included preparation of a Phase 1 Environmental Site Assessment Report, a Phase II ESA, a Noise Analysis Report and a detailed Solicitation of Views from Stakeholders.</p> <p>Our personnel obtained field sound measurements and performed analyses to determine if noise abatement due to increase traffic noise was required. We completed FHWA Environmental Determination Checklist and performed Phase I Due Diligence for the project site. The project tasks required us to coordinate and conduct public meetings.</p>	
	Estimated Cost:	
Completion Date (Actual or estimated):	Entire Project:	Work for which Firm was Responsible:
March 2014	\$39,000.00	100% Design, Environmental Permitting and Inspection

PROJECT NO. 2

Project Name, Location and Owner's contact information:	Nature of Firm's Responsibility:	
<p>Bayou Eau Noire Vegetative Ridge and Marsh Creation. Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana</p> <p>Plaquemines Parish Department of Coastal Zone Management John Helmers 8056 Highway 23, Suite 200 Belle Chasse, LA 70037 (504) 274-2460</p> 	<p>AIMS GROUP was selected by Plaquemines Parish to provide professional services for planning, environmental permitting and engineering design for the ridge restoration and marsh creation in Bayou Eau Noire: Professional services provides include the following: Identify Potential Borrow Sources River and Basin Side; Collect Existing Data and Available Information for Environmental Inventory; Develop Preliminary Minimum Impacts Self-Mitigating Design for Permitting; Develop Multiple Design Alternatives Based on Surge and Wave Data; Develop Preliminary Geotechnical Drilling Plan and Surveying Plan; and Develop Estimated Construction Cost.</p> <p>These tasks include, but are not limited to, the development of Conceptual/Permit-Level Design Plans for the Preferred Design and Layout. Determination of an alignment and develop a ridge template that will meet the project objectives of damping wave energy as part of a "multiple lines of defense" strategy. Prepare Joint Permit Application Form, which includes preparing permit application supporting documents and preliminary design and drawings. Attend Pre-Application Meetings including: CEMVN, DNR-OCM, MNSA, and Resource Agencies (NMFS, USFWS, EPA, CPRA, LDEQ, et al).</p>	
	Estimated Cost:	
Completion Date (Actual or estimated):	Entire Project:	Work for which Firm was Responsible:
August 2023 (e)	\$2,900,000.00 (engineering) \$58,000,000.00 (construction)	100% Design, Environmental Permitting, Construction Management

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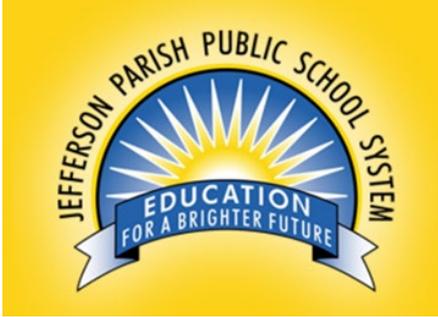
PROJECT NO. 3		
Project Name, Location and Owner's contact information:	Nature of Firm's Responsibility	
<p>Long Distance Sediment Pipeline – Phase 2, Jefferson Parish, La</p> <p>Jefferson Parish Coastal Zone Management Director Michelle Gonzales 4901 Jefferson Highway Jefferson, LA 70121 504.364.2705</p> 	<p>AIMS GROUP provided engineering services to prepare and submit a permit application for the Mississippi River Long Distance Sediment Pipeline (LDSP) West of Barataria Waterway project. AIMS Group is a sub consultant to CB&I Coastal, Inc. Our responsibilities include researching existing literature; developing base maps that depict proposed alignment and/or alternative alignments and affected properties; compiling a list of affected landowners; identifying special design challenge and pumping requirements; preparing preliminary design; preparing a cost estimate; and attending a pre-application meeting with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE).</p> <p>AIMS GROUP provided a Schematic Design Report to include a set of base maps to develop final plan view drawings for the permit application. Affected Landowners Report to include a list of affected landowners and base maps depicting land ownership by parcel to facilitate the Louisiana Department of Natural Resources Coastal Use Permit application requirement to notify all landowners and to develop documentation needed for rights-of-way acquisition. Prepared Preliminary Plans for Construction.</p>	
Completion Date (Actual or estimated)	Estimated Cost:	
	Entire Project:	Work for which Firm was Responsible:
February 2023(e)	Engineering: \$3,200,000.00	100% Design to support environmental permits

PROJECT NO. 4		
Project Name, Location and Owner's contact information:	Nature of Firm's Responsibility:	
<p>Lake Hermitage Bridge Replacement. Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana</p> <p>Plaquemines Parish Ken Dugas, PE 304 Main Street Belle Chasse, LA 70037 504.297.5343</p> 	<p>AIMS GROUP initially evaluated multiple design options and placement of the Lake Hermitage Bridge. Through consultation with the Parish, AIMS developed a design of a 220-foot long two-lane precast concrete bridge across Bayou Hermitage. The bridge consists of pile bents with PPC piles, precast concrete bent caps and precast concrete deck. A test pile program was performed. The existing timber bridge with two steel superstructure trusses was removed. The existing 6-inch waterline that was attached to the existing bridge was replaced with a new 8-inch HDPE line installed by horizontal directional drilling under the Bayou. The project included addition of navigational lighting on the bridge in conformance with U.S. Coast Guard requirements.</p> <p>AIMS obtained Joint Use Permit from U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and Louisiana Office of Coastal Management. It also obtained U.S. Coast Guard Bridge Permit that included an environmental review in accordance with NEPA guidelines. Tasks included preparation of construction plans, specifications, construction cost estimate, coordinated project bidding, performed resident inspection and construction administration.</p>	
Completion Date (Actual or estimated):	Estimated Cost:	
	Entire Project:	Work for which Firm was Responsible:
December 2014	\$1,10,000.00	Design, All Permitting, & Resident Inspection

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PROJECT NO. 5		
Project Name, Location and Owner's contact information:	Nature of Firm's Responsibility:	
<p>408 Permit and HSDRRS Levee Lift Prior to Armoring – WBV-14e.2, 140.2, 16.2 and WBV 18.2. Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority - West</p> <p>Nick Cali, P.E Director, SLFPA-West (504) 340.0318</p> 	<p>AIMS GROUP coordinated all engineering requirements for 408 permit relative to the HSDRRS Levee lifts prior to armoring for SLFPA – West. This included development of a complete set of construction plans and specifications, geotechnical data, H & H design and analysis, real estate requirements, emergency planning and regulatory requirements. In addition, AIMS provided all engineering design required to lift the HSDRRS levees WBV 14e.2, WBV 14e.2A, WBV 15a.2, WBV 16.2 and WBV 18.2 (Lake Cataouatche and Bayou Segnette).</p> <p>AIMS GROUP managed and coordinated all Survey, Geotechnical Analysis, preparation of Right-of-Way Drawings needed, and Independent Technical Reviews (ITR's). The project scope is to lift the levees for Bayou Segnette State Park and Lake Cataouatche back to Phase II, 100-year levels prior to the Corps of Engineers' armoring. Attend Pre-Application Meetings including: CEMVN, DNR-OCM, MNSA, and Resource Agencies (NMFS, USFWS, EPA, CPRA, LDEQ, et al).</p>	
Completion Date (Actual or estimated):	Estimated Cost:	
	Entire Project:	Work for which Firm was Responsible:
March 2016	\$850,000.00	Prime – 100% design & permitting
PROJECT NO. 6		
Project Name, Location and Owner's contact information:	Nature of Firm's Responsibility:	
<p>RESTORE LOUISIANA RECOVERY & RESILIENCY PROGRAM, State of Louisiana</p> <p>Kevin Stanley, Environmental Hazards Director, IEM – Restore Louisiana 225-831-2751</p> 	<p>As part of HUD's Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) Program, AIMS Group, as a sub to IEM, assisted in the development and in leading the lead-based site evaluations by current site conditions observed by the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality Accredited Risk Assessor that include, visual assessments, lead-based paint inspections, lead-based paint inspection and environmental risk assessments, and post-hazard mitigation (abatement and/or non-abatement) clearance. Analyze programmatic data to provide proactive guidance, utilizing project database analysis. Develop and implement recovery plans, strategies and tools for effective program and funding management.</p> <p>Supervise recovery field environmental staff of 15-25 across 10 impacted parishes to administer CDBG-DR environmental clearance activities. Oversee project site assessments, outreach to individual homeowners, project teams, and other internal and external stakeholders to close and complete recovery projects</p>	
Completion Date (Actual or estimated):	Estimated Cost:	
	Entire Project:	Work for which Firm was Responsible:
June 2018	\$1,216,000.00	100% Environmental Assessments

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PROJECT NO. 7		
Project Name, Location and Owner's contact information:	Nature of Firm's Responsibility:	
<p>3-year Reinspection Program Jefferson Parish School Board</p> <p>Mr. David Taylor Phone: (504) 349-7716</p> 	<p>AIMS Group personnel worked closely with the representatives from the respective 80+ member schools to provide the following environmental services:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visually re-inspected and reassessed the condition of all friable known or assumed ACM. • Visually inspect material that was previously considered non-friable ACM and touch the material to determine whether it has become friable since the last inspection. • Identify any homogeneous areas with material that has become friable since the last inspection or re-inspection. • If approved by the owner, collect bulk samples for analysis of newly friable material that is already assumed (not sampled) to be ACM; or, make recommendations to collect additional bulk samples. • Visually inspect, sample, analyze, and assess the conditions of building materials that have been added to the facility since the last inspection or re-inspection. • Assess the condition of the newly friable material in areas where samples are collected and of newly friable material in areas assumed to be ACM. • Reassess the condition of friable known or assumed ACM previously identified. • Record above information on field inspection forms for each facility. <p>In addition, AIMS personnel updated the School Board's Management Planner to comply with current regulations.</p>	
Completion Date (Actual or estimated):	Estimated Cost:	
	Entire Project:	Work for which Firm was Responsible:
2013, 2016 and 2019	\$240,000.00	100% field inspections

PROJECT NO. 8		
Project Name, Location and Owner's contact information:	Nature of Firm's Responsibility:	
<p>EMERGENCY REPAIRS ASBESTOS ABATEMENT, LEAD AND MOLD REMEDIATION UNO – EARL K. LONG LIBRARY AND 19 CAMPUS BUILDINGS, NEW ORLEANS, LA</p> <p>Mr. Anthony Palotta, PE (225) 342-0827</p> 	<p>AIMS GROUP was awarded this environmental assessment by the Louisiana State Office of Facility Planning and Control as part of the UNO campus-wide recovery from Hurricane Katrina. AIMS personnel worked closely with the representatives from FEMA, UNO and the State of Louisiana to perform site-specific environmental assessments for approximately nineteen (19) campus building, including one of the largest campus buildings – the Earl K. Long Library. The environmental services provided included the following: performing asbestos, lead and mold site assessments; preparing remediation design and corrective plan; providing project oversight and daily air monitoring; and, providing final clearance sampling for all remediation activities.</p>	
Completion Date (Actual or estimated):	Estimated Cost:	
	Entire Project:	Work for which Firm was Responsible:
September 2014	\$9,500,000.00	100% Design & Field Inspection

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PROJECT NO. 9		
Project Name, Location and Owner's contact information:	Nature of Firm's Responsibility:	
<p>RBEND II – Borrow Pit Permit St. John The Baptist Parish, Louisiana</p> <p>Mr. Warren Treme RBEND Development Company (504) 458-9055</p> 	<p>AIMS GROUP provided environmental consulting and permitting services for a proposed clay borrow pit in La Place, St. John the Baptist Parish, Louisiana in order to fulfill the environmental clearance requirements set forth by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Environmental consulting services needed to meet the Corps requirements included: Phase 1 Environmental Site Assessment, Phase II Environmental Assessment, Wetland Technical Report and Obtaining Jurisdictional Determination, Phase I Cultural Resource Assessment Report, Threatened and Endangered Species Report to be Approved by U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Coastal Use Permit, and LPDES Permit for Storm water runoff. The proposed 1500-acre site contained an old abandoned fuel station, which had to be de-commissioned and old fuel tanks taken from undergrowth, which included compliance with Brownfield regulations.</p>	
Completion Date (Actual or estimated):	Estimated Cost:	
	Entire Project:	Work for which Firm was Responsible:
December 2019	\$250,000.00	Environmental Permit & Design

PROJECT NO. 10		
Project Name, Location and Owner's contact information:	Nature of Firm's Responsibility:	
<p>CITY OF BOGALUSA BROWNSFIELD GRANT PROGRAM, BOGALUSA, LOUISIANA</p> <p>City of Bogalusa Town Engineer Kyle Associates, LLC Franklin Kyle 985.727.9377</p> 	<p>AIMS GROUP is assisting the City of Bogalusa with 23 specific Brownsfield sites that were part of the City's \$400,000 grant award to assess, clean, and redevelop contaminated properties.</p> <p>AIMS is in the process of performing 19 Phase I and 4 Phase II environmental site assessments and assisting with the development of two cleanup plans. Our team will conduct all necessary environmental assessments needed to redevelop the identified contaminated properties and help get those properties back in commerce. Our personnel is working closely with the City's outside engineer and with representatives of LADEQ and the EPA.</p>	
Completion Date (Actual or estimated):	Estimated Cost:	
	Entire Project:	Work for which Firm was Responsible:
September 2019	\$150,000.00	100% Design & Field Inspection

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M. List all prior and/or on-going litigation between Firm and Jefferson Parish. Please attach additional pages if necessary.

Parties:		Status/Result of Case:
Plaintiff:	Defendant:	
1. None		
2.		
3.		
4.		

N. Use this space to provide any additional information or description of resources supporting Firm's qualifications for the proposed project.

INTRODUCTION

AIMS GROUP, Inc. was formed in 1996 as a locally owned diversified professional engineering consulting firm. As a certified Louisiana Small and Emerging Business (#8432), **AIMS GROUP** has experienced consistent growth over the past ten years.

Our staff is comprised of experienced professionals who take great pride in providing prompt, thorough, and cost-effective services to meet our clients' goals. Our staff complies with the latest federal, state, and local environmental quality rules affecting the public and private sector. **AIMS GROUP** specializes in various areas of the Environmental field including, but not limited to, hazardous materials inspection services, IAQ studies, hazard assessment, management plans and remediation design. **AIMS GROUP** has provided inspection, remediation design and air monitoring services for over 1500 asbestos, lead-based paint and mold projects. The personnel of **AIMS GROUP** are highly qualified, experienced, and have completed numerous multi-discipline projects for various governmental agencies and commercial organizations. Our environmental personnel are trained and certified in all phases of environmental work and are knowledgeable of all pertinent NEPA, LDEQ, EPA, NESHAP, OSHA and RCRA Regulations. The diversity of our expertise allows us to efficiently meet each client's needs, from high-level consulting to routine monitoring and reporting. We pride ourselves in our ability to listen to our clients' concerns and to follow through with thoughtful, in-depth strategies and actions.

Additionally, **AIMS GROUP** specializes in municipal engineering, having completed more than 150 water, sewerage, street and drainage projects and more than 20 sizeable Coastal Restoration/Hurricane Protection Projects for various local, state and federal governmental agencies, including various City and Parish Public Works. Our Team Members have worked on



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many projects and utilize all of the latest computer technology and software necessary to complete any project with speed and efficiency. **AIMS GROUP** performs all design, project administration, and supervision from their locally owned office located in Jefferson Parish. Our projects are well coordinated and managed, and are completed in accordance with good engineering practice, relevant specifications and guidelines.

AIMS GROUP has provided Consulting Engineering and Environmental Services for over twenty (20) years in the greater New Orleans area. Below we have included a sample of our clients who we have completed projects for:

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers	Southeast Levee Flood Protection Authority - East & Southeast Levee Flood Protection Authority – West	Louisiana Office of Coastal Protection and Restoration
Lafitte Levee District	Lake Borgne Basin Levee District	Plaquemines Parish
City of New Orleans	New Orleans International Airport	Jefferson Parish
St. Tammany Parish	Louisiana Office of Facility Planning and Control	St. Charles Parish
University of New Orleans	Southern University in New Orleans	City of Kenner
City of Westwego	St. Bernard Parish	Grand Isle Levee District

PROJECT APPROACH



Our approach is a time-tested, value approach. **AIMS'** philosophy in approaching any type of assignment is to first understand what the client wants accomplished – an analysis to completely and fully understand the project. We will start during our pre-contract discussions by asking relevant questions, sharing our experience from other projects and listening well. Then we will follow this up with the development of a cost-effective scope proposal.

Once the agreement is in place, we will have a project kick-off meeting. Our major role, in addition to providing a professional and cost effective engineering product, is to assist our client to ensure that all parties involved or affected by the project are kept up-to-date relative to their interest. Our design team works with our client to thoroughly research the project at hand to tailor a project-specific approach to reach the optimal result. **AIMS GROUP** wants you to be more than just satisfied when our work is done; we will go above and beyond to exceed your expectations.

ADVANTAGES OF THE AIMS' TEAM

The **AIMS GROUP** team offers the following distinct advantage to Jefferson Parish for these projects:

THE ABILITY TO PLAN, DESIGN AND ENABLE PROJECTS. Our team of professional engineers and designers has the required experience to model, evaluate, and design projects that will exceed the Parish's expectations. From straightforward civil design to environmental assessments, **AIMS** has the experience.

THE ABILITY TO IMMEDIATELY RESPOND TO PARISH NEEDS. We have consistently demonstrated the capacity to quickly execute any project the Parish of Jefferson may have – this includes the recent design and construction management of numerous Parish projects.

AN INTEGRATED APPROACH TO SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING. **AIMS** believes that the best way to make sure that a project functions as intended is to ensure that our engineers and scientists work collaboratively from project inception through completion and monitoring. This allows early integration of environmental and scientific requirements into the overall project planning that ensures there are no new requirements that emerge as a project moves into design and construction – keeping the project on time and within budget.

A LOCAL COMMITMENT TO LOUISIANA AND ITS ENGINEERING COMMUNITY. Building structural and

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general engineering projects in the austere environment of coastal Louisiana is difficult at best. Our team understands the art of aligning the complexity and scale of these projects to the best delivery method to allow competitive bids and quality outcomes. We have a complete understanding of the complexities of our physical environment and engineering practices locally and nationally. Our professionals live where they work!

The rest of the narrative in this Section has been specially developed for your evaluation and selection of qualified firms for this solicitation:

- I. Professional Training and Experience**
- II. Past and Current Professional Accomplishments**
- III. Capacity for Timely Completion of the Work**

I. PROFESSIONAL TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE:

Firm's Specialized Experience:

AIMS GROUP'S professionals have more than **100 years of combined engineering experience** in municipal engineering projects. Our personnel have worked on various projects involving the development of project alternative studies, project designs and plans, civil engineering, structural engineering, general engineering, environmental assessments, coastal restoration and flood protection, construction oversight, cost estimating and project management projects throughout southeast Louisiana. The types of projects that our team has worked that are relevant to these solicitations are as follows:

- **Environmental Assessments** – Perform environmental site assessments, including asbestos, lead-based paint, mold, PCB's and mercury; Phase I and II assessments; Brownsfield, regulatory compliance and risk assessment, design asbestos and other hazardous materials remediation and corrective action plan(s); provide sampling; and, provide daily air monitoring.
- **Permitting Assistance** – NEPA, 404 and 405 permits, coastal use permit applications; coastal restoration planning assistance; research of regulations, including Restore Act.
- **Levee design/Flood Protection** – Design, construction administration, construction management, alternative studies.
- **Drainage improvements/studies** - Design, construction administration, construction management, alternative studies, resident inspection.
- **Coastal restoration** – Design, planning, permitting, construction administration, construction management, alternative studies.
- **Structural foundations/structures** - Design, construction administration, construction management, alternative studies, resident inspection.
- **Levee periodic inspections** – data manipulation and analysis with GPS software, report preparation and presentation of results. Personnel have been designated as Certified Levee Inspectors by the State of Louisiana. AIMS personnel have performed more periodic levee inspections for the USACE than any other firm in the region – more than 900 miles.

Key Personnel Experience and Professional Qualifications:

In addition to the supporting staff, the following is a brief description of key personnel and associates that will be involved with projects that are related to environmental projects and their experience.

- **Mr. Thomas R. L'Hoste, Project Manager / Principal Engineer, P.E.** – has a B.S. in Civil Engineering from the University of New Orleans and is a Louisiana registered Professional Civil Engineer. Mr. L'Hoste has (20) twenty years of experience with Hurricane Protection Projects and has excellent experience with the necessary construction management requirements for any civil/structural related project. He has been responsible for the

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successful management of numerous construction projects in the Metropolitan New Orleans area, including the Bayou Segnette flood protection system. Tommy has led AIMS in the completion of more than twenty-five (25) Flood Protection Projects in the past 10 years. He has been the owner and principal engineer of **AIMS GROUP, INC.** for more than (15) years.

- **Mr. Lowell Pitre, Civil Engineer, P.E., Project Manager** - Mr. Pitre has over (30) thirty years of broad engineering experience involving design and construction administration of structural foundations, bridges, T-walls, L-walls, flood gates, levees and many other types of structures. He has extensive experience with structural steel design, structural concrete, and timber design. His coastal experience includes project management for preparation of plans and specifications for the design of sediment diversion, for feasibility coastal studies for DNR, and for the outfall management plan and hydrodynamic modeling of various freshwater diversion projects. Lowell led the AIMS team on the HSDRRS periodic levee inspections and serves as the lead on all work for SLFPA-West levee lift projects, Plaquemines Parish and Jefferson Parish Coastal Zone programs. URS trained, Lowell has served as project manager and senior project engineer for many design projects throughout the gulf coast area.
- **Mr. Alan Jurisich, CIH, Environmental Consulting and QA/QC** - Mr. Jurisich has over thirty (30) years of environmental experience including indoor air pollution, general industrial hygiene practice, occupational disease liability risk assessment, workplace exposure assessment, bioaerosol exposure assessment, bio-remediation, environmental impairment liability, environmental risk assessment, underground storage tank risk assessment and workplace re-entry assessment.
- **Mr. Kirk J. Juneau, Senior Environmental Consultant** - Mr. Juneau has over twenty-five (25) years of experience in diversified environmental projects, including asbestos, lead-based paint and mold inspections; asbestos abatement and mold remediation design; remediation and abatement supervision; and indoor air quality assessments, monitoring and soil & water sampling. He has successfully managed and/or performed over 1000 asbestos, lead-based paint and mold inspections, remediation designs, site assessments, and air monitoring projects for both public and private industries.
- **Mr. Rodney Griggs, Senior Asbestos, Lead and Mold Inspector** - Mr. Griggs has over twenty (20) years of experience in diversified projects involving mold/fungi, asbestos, lead-based paint, PCB's, Indoor Air Quality, Phase I, Phase II and Environmental sampling of soil, water testing and test evaluations. He has extensive experience in asbestos, lead-based paint and mold/fungi remediation activities and has successfully supervised asbestos, lead and mold assessments, assisted with asbestos management planning, and has performed air monitoring during asbestos, lead and mold remediation. He has excellent working knowledge of EPA, AHERA, RCRA, NESHAP, NIOSH, and OSHA regulations and standards.

II. PAST AND CURRENT PROFESSIONAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

The best testament to a company's professional work is what its clients have to say about the professional services provided. Here is just a brief sample of client testimonial that we have included as a representation of the quality of professional service and work provided:

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"AIMS Group has been a tremendous asset to the Parish's Coastal Zone Management Program. The local knowledge and vast coastal experience of the AIMS' Professionals is simply unmatched. As the coastal areas of Jefferson Parish begin to rebuild, Mr. L'Hoste and the professionals of AIMS will serve as a vital partner."

Honorable Ricky J. Templet – Jefferson Parish Councilman, At Large District A.

"AIMS Group has been a tremendous partner of Plaquemine's Parish – working with our personnel to create the parish's coastal plan. Tommy and his staff have consistently put forth the effort required to deliver services and products that exceeded our expectations."

Billy Nungesser – Lieutenant Governor (2016-Present); Former Plaquemines Parish President (2007-2014)

Additionally, the following officials have offered to discuss AIMS' qualifications:

1. **Mr. Nick Cali, P.E.** – Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Agency – West - 7001 River Road, Marrero, LA 70072 – Phone: 504.340.0318
2. **Mr. Richard Varuso, Ph.D., P.E.** – U.S. Army Corps of Engineers – NO District – 7400 Leake Avenue New Orleans, LA 70118 – Phone: 504.862.2984;
3. **Mr. Ricky Templet** – Jefferson Parish Councilman At Large, District A, Phone: 504.364.2616.

"I have worked with the staff of AIMS Group on various levee projects – from planning, permitting and design. Tommy's professionals have always been responsive and provided solid results time-and-time again."

Mr. Nick Cali, PE – Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Agency - West.

As noted, **AIMS GROUP** has performed work in Jefferson Parish since our inception in 1996, as well as performing work in virtually every municipality in the Metropolitan region. We enjoy a very high repeat business rate with our clients and invite you to contact past and present clients as noted in this questionnaire.

III. CAPACITY FOR TIMELY COMPLETION OF THE WORK:

AIMS GROUP has established a solid track record of timely completing projects for its clients within budget. In fact, **AIMS** has received the ACASS ratings of VERY GOOD from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) for all of its projects during the past 7 years – receiving a Certificate of Appreciation on February 6, 2012 from the USACE – New Orleans District for its exceptional achievements in support and work on the Hurricane and Storm Damage Risk Reduction System. Our personnel have completed over 1500 environmental assessments, 250 civil engineering projects, and twenty-five (25) sizeable hurricane protection projects. Our projects are all completed on schedule and within budget. We attribute our success to keeping a realistic schedule and a constant coordination among all the personnel who are involved with the project.



US Army Corps of Engineers®

AIMS presently has ample capacity to jump on any environment project awarded. We look forward to the opportunity to provide professional services for Jefferson Parish. We have the required personnel and ability to perform at the highest professional level and can assure you that we will work hard exceed all expectations for any tasks we are awarded.

AIMS GROUP is an efficient company with Professional Engineers, Cost Estimators, Construction Inspectors, Project Managers and AutoCAD drafting personnel all working out of our locally owned office in Jefferson Parish. Combined, we have (5) Registered Professional Engineers, (2) Louisiana Registered Engineer in Training, (2) AutoCAD Draftsman, (1)

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ecologist, (2) attorneys, and (5) certified environmental inspectors. Since all five of our licensed engineers have more than (5) five years of experience, **AIMS GROUP** exceeds the minimum requirement established in the solicitations.

O. To the best of my knowledge, the foregoing is an accurate statement of facts.

Signature: Thomas R. L'Hoste, PE

Print Name: Thomas R. L'Hoste, PE

Title: President/Principal Engineer

Date: January 5, 2023

