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Code of Ethics Rule 17.056-Solicitation of Work

#6 The Professional Engineer, and the engineering firm, is to seek professional employment based primarily on the qualifications and competencies required for proper accomplishment of the work. This process restricts the Professional Engineer or firm from submitting a price for services until the prospective client has selected that Engineer or firm, based primarily on stated qualifications and competencies, for final contractual negotiations.

Competitive price proposals may not be submitted or solicited for professional services unless all the following restrictions are met:

- a. The prospective client has first sought statements of qualifications from interested licensees, and
- b. Those licensees chosen by the client on the basis of qualifications and competence for proper accomplishment of the work (not to exceed five) have received in writing a comprehensive and specific Scope of Work, and
- c. When the Scope of Work has been prepared, signed and sealed by a licensed Professional Engineer who has attested to the completeness and adequacy of the Scope of Work assuring that it fully identifies and describes the factors affecting the required engineering services, and
- d. Assurances have been given by the prospective client that factors in addition to price were considered in selecting the Professional Engineer, and
- e. Neither the Professional Engineer that sealed the Scope of Work, nor this Professional Engineer's firm, will be allowed to submit a price proposal.