



## GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF STORM RECOVERY

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By UPS and Email

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Dear Mr. Bender:

Thank you for your letter responding to our request of December 31, 2013, concerning the Housing Trust Fund Corporation (HTFC) Request for Proposals (RFP) for Assistance with FEMA-PA and HMGP Project Review for NYS's Storm Recovery Program issued October 25, 2013. With the start of our new Director of Operations for the Governor's Office of Storm Recovery at HTFC, we wanted to review the selection process to make sure all necessary information had been provided to confirm compliance with the standards set forth in the RFP.

After review of all responses, I am pleased to inform you that Cohn Reznick LLP has been selected to provide these services to the Corporation, subject to execution and delivery of a contract by HTFC and Cohn Reznick that includes all of the terms, conditions and appendices included in the RFP. Notwithstanding the foregoing, please be advised that HTFC reserves the right to withdraw this award at any time prior to the execution and delivery of the contract, in HTFC's sole discretion (and for any reason or no reason). In event of any such withdrawal of this award, HTFC reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to award to any of the other parties who submitted bids for these services or to solicit bids from other parties. Please note that this award remains subject to approval by applicable control agencies, including the Office of the Attorney General and the Office of the State Comptroller before a contract is finalized. [note this concept is from the State guidelines]

We look forward to working with you and (subject to the foregoing) will contact you shortly to discuss the contract and initiation of services.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Seth Diamond', written over a horizontal line.

Seth Diamond  
Co-Director  
Governor's Office of Storm Recovery