United States Small Business Administration Office of Hearings and Appeals

CVE Protest of:

Land Shark Shredding, LLC

SBA No. CVE-183-P

Decided: April 2, 2021

Protestor,

Re: Griffin Resources LLC

Solicitation No. 36C25620Q0670 U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs

ORDER DISMISSING PROTEST¹

On October 14, 2020, Land Shark Shredding, LLC (Protestor) protested the size and the Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Business (SDVOSB) status of Griffin Resources LLC (Griffin), the awardee of U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Request for Quotations No. 36C25620Q0670. The Contracting Officer (CO) forwarded the status aspects of the protest to the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) Office of Hearings and Appeals (OHA) for review.

On December 4, 2020, OHA stayed proceedings pending the outcome of corrective action on the source selection. Specifically, the CO notified OHA that VA "will cancel the award (and solicitation), review its requirements, and issue a new solicitation at a future date." (Letter from K. Pollard to L. Arellano (Nov. 19, 2020), at 1-2.) On March 31, 2021, the CO informed OHA that the award and the solicitation had been formally terminated. Protestor and Griffin do not object to dismissal of this matter.

SBA regulations permit an offeror to file a status protest against the awardee of a VA procurement. 13 C.F.R. § 134.1002(b). Here, Griffin is no longer the awardee of the instant procurement, and the underlying solicitation itself will be revised and reissued. Accordingly, there is no longer any case or controversy for OHA to adjudicate. The protest therefore is DISMISSED as moot. *E.g., CVE Protest of Crosstown Courier Serv., Inc.*, SBA No. CVE-161-P (2020). This dismissal is without prejudice to any status protest that might be filed stemming from any reissued solicitation.

¹ OHA adjudicates SDVOSB status protests under the authority of 38 U.S.C. § 8127(f)(8)(B) and 13 C.F.R. part 134 subpart J.

This is the final agency action of the U.S. Small Business Administration. 38 U.S.C. § 8127(f)(8)(B); 13 C.F.R. § 134.1007(b).

KENNETH M. HYDE Administrative Judge