

MILWAUKEE FIRM LOW BIDDER ON ABM JOB

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Bids for construction of Remote Sprint Launch Sites 2 and 3, to be located near Langdon, ND, as part of the Safeguard Ballistic Missile Defense System, were opened here Wednesday with the apparent low bid of \$7,630,950 submitted by the joint venture of Woerfel Corp. and Towne Realty Co., Milwaukee, WI.

The government estimate for the job was \$8,709,889.

Other companies bidding for the job were: Hawkins Construction Co., Omaha, NE, (\$11,779,075); H.C. Smith Construction Co., and Boeing Co., Compton, CA, (\$7,819,685); Morrison-Knudson Co., Boise, ID, (\$11,674,616); General Construction Co., Fargo, ND, (\$9,100,616) and J.D. Abrams, Inc., El Paso, TX, (\$10,609,501.25).

The Huntsville Division of the US Army Corps of Engineers expects to award the contract about April 2, 1971 with construction to start shortly thereafter.

Site work under the contract will consist of clearing, grading, bituminous surfaced roads, fencing, turfing, drainage, as well as waste stabilization roads, ponds. In addition, construction required will include reinforced concrete Remote Launch Operations Buildings; bituminous surfaced missile fields consisting of a number of underground steel silos; reinforced concrete limited area sentry stations; and miscellaneous structures. Interior work on the various structures such as heating, air conditioning, plumbing, piping, and other mechanical systems as well as electric wiring and control systems are also included in the work to be performed.

The work to be performed under the terms of this contract is scheduled for completion by November, 1972.