

STATE OF ILLINOIS  
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF PROCUREMENT OFFICER  
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

IN THE MATTER OF: )  
 )  
Chester Bross Construction Company ) 11-S-003  
 )  
Respondents )

**FINAL DETERMINATION OF SUSPENSION**

I have carefully reviewed the Findings and Recommendations of the Hearing Officer in the above matter as well as the Exceptions filed in response thereto by Respondent Chester Bross Construction Company. In addition, I have reviewed the past suspension precedent of this Office, specifically case no. 11-S-004, have compared the facts which led to the proven violation of the "Responsible Bidder" requirement contained in 30 ILCS 500/30-22(6), and considered what suspension term would be commensurate with the seriousness of the above actions. As a result of this review, I have made the following final determination.

I hereby adopt the findings of fact and the conclusions of law made by the Hearing Officer which find the Department met its burden of proving a violation in this case. However, I do not adopt the Hearing Officer's recommendation of a five-year suspension term. After review of the facts in this case as compared to those in case no. 11-S-004, I find the facts which led to the violation in both cases are substantially similar. In addition, I do not find there are significant aggravating factors in the present case to justify a suspension term beyond the two-year suspension imposed in case no. 11-S-004.

Accordingly Chester Bross Construction Company is hereby SUSPENDED from participating on any contracts awarded by or requiring approval or concurrence of the Illinois Department of Transportation for a period of two years. Pursuant to 44 ILL. ADMIN. CODE 6.690(c), the Interim suspension term will be deducted from the two-year suspension period.

This Final Determination is issued and served this 5th day of July, 2012 at Springfield, Illinois.



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## CERTIFICATION OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I served a copy of the foregoing FINAL DETERMINATION OF SUSPENSION on the following:

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by sending a copy thereof via United States Postal Service Certified Mail to Jeffery A. Risch and John D. Hoag at the address listed above, and to Lance T. Jones via personal delivery, on the 5th of July, 2012.



Bill Grunloh  
Chief Procurement Officer

July 5th, 2012