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CITY OF SAN DIEGO  
MEMORANDUM

DATE: 9/27/2007  
TO: Tammy Rimes  
FROM: Downs Prior  
SUBJECT: Sole Source Request — Helenschmidt Geotechnical, Inc. for Soledad Mountain Road Repair - Sole Source Consultant Agreement

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Negotiated Total: \$250,000.00  
Dept. Est. Total: \$250,000.00  
Vendor: Helenschmidt Geotechnical, Inc.  
Expiration Date: 10/1/2008  
Recommendation: **Approved**

The designated area of concern, the 5700 block of Soledad Mountain Road, is on the verge of possible catastrophic failure due to continual ground movement caused by an unknown condition. Installation and monitoring of inclinometers is required immediately to determine a preventative course of action. A catastrophic failure would pose a major health and safety issue, as well as possibly contributing to a potential landslide of an adjacent slope/ridge with several single family homes located at the top.

Helenschmidt Geotechnical previously completed the same work in the vicinity on another project, and has usefull data to draw from which will expedite the City's needed requirements/results. This will save the City valuble schedule time, and costs thus resulting in the "Best Value" contract.

I hereby recommend the approve of this sole source request.