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APPEAL FROM THE SOUTH CAROLINA
PROCUREMENT REVIEW PANEL
Willie D. Franks, Chairman

Appellate Case No. 2026-000914
Case No. 2025-5

In Re: Haren Construction, Co., Inc.

Project No. P24-6052-PG Beaufort-Waddel Mariculture Maturation Ponds Maintenance – Re-Bid

Paragon Inc. of South Carolina, LLC, Chief Procurement Officer, State Fiscal Accountability Authority, and South Carolina Department of Natural Resources,

of which Paragon Inc. of South Carolina, LLC and Chief Procurement Officer, State Fiscal Accountability Authority are the Appellants/Respondents, South Carolina Department of Natural Resources is the Respondent/Appellant, and Haren Construction Co., Inc. is the Respondent.

SCDNR RESPONSE IN SUPPORT OF HAREN’S MOTION TO STRIKE¹

The South Carolina Department of Natural Resources submits this Response in Support of Haren’s Motion to Strike. The Department incorporates by reference the arguments contained in Haren’s motion. The Department supports the motion and respectfully asks that the Court grant the Motion to Strike.

¹ The Department has maintained below and now before this Court that this appeal should be dismissed for lack of jurisdiction and does not intend to waive that position. However, to the extent the Court does not dismiss this action before deciding the other pending motions, the Department provides this response in the alternative and subject to its jurisdictional objections.

Respectfully submitted,
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PROOF OF SERVICE

I certify that I have served the SCDNR's Response in Support of Haren's Motion to Strike upon counsel for all parties and the South Carolina Procurement Review Panel in the above captioned matter by sending a copy by email to each attorney listed below on May 6, 2026.

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