



A Look at Design-Build & Contract Operations

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Market Drivers & Effects

Driver

- Aging Infrastructure
- System Expansion
- Regulatory Mandates
- Water Scarcity
- Security Requirements



Mitigation Option

- Pursue Government Assistance (Grants, Loans, Regulatory Relief)

Enhance System Efficiencies

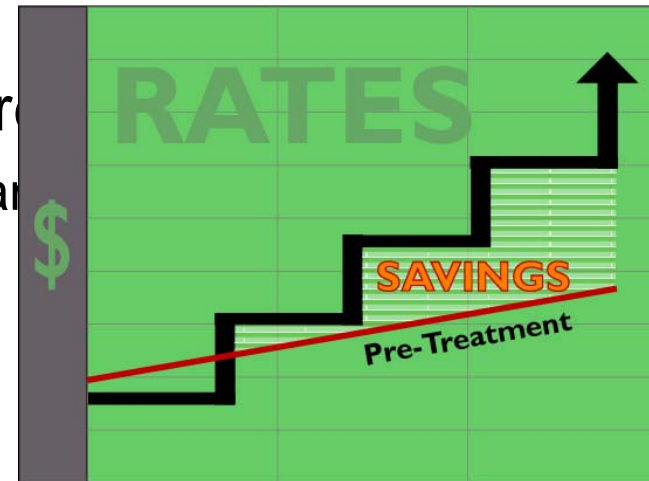
- Regionalize/Decentralize
- Lower Operating Costs/Improve Efficiencies
- Lower Capital Costs Related to Expansion/Replacement

Regionalization vs. Independence

- Effective Method of Capturing Scale Economics
 - Florida: Small Private Systems/Large Municipal
 - Pennsylvania: Small Municipal Systems/Large Private

But...

- Large/Bulk Wastewater Customers Are
 - Significantly Affected by Rate Increases and
 - Can Build Their Own Systems to:
 - Save Money
 - Gain Independence
 - Improve Predictability



Decentralized Systems Will Play A Role in the Future

Improving Operational Efficiency: Contract Operations/Utility Outsourcing

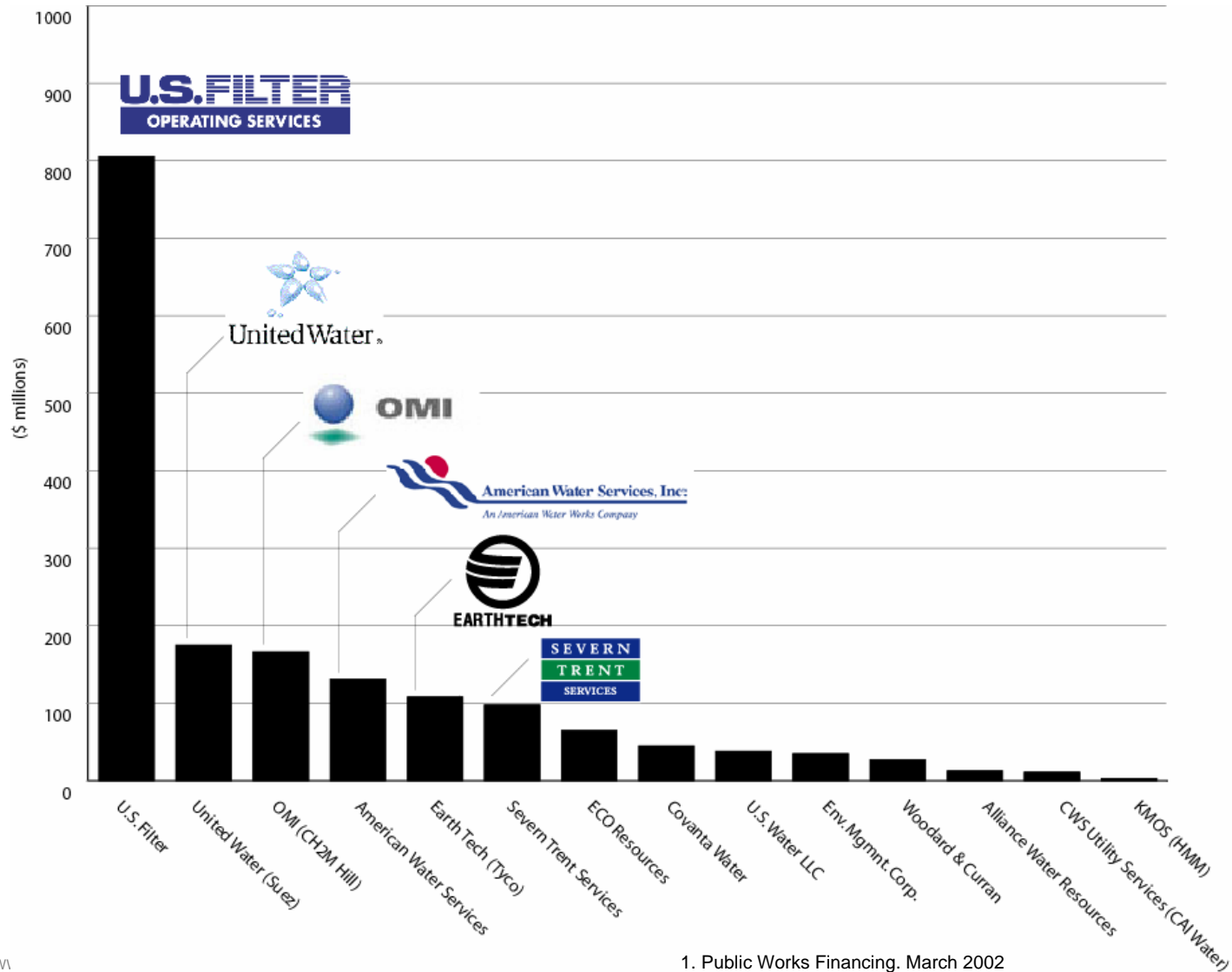
Growth Drivers

- Compelling Need to Improve Efficiency
- Lower Operating Costs (20%-40%)
- Risk Transfer (Under Operator's Control)
- Technical Expertise
- Improved Revenue Capture (Metering)

Growth Restraints

- Often Highly Political
- Organized Labor
- Lost Expertise/Control
- Monitoring Requirements
- Municipal Re-Engineering
- Cannibalistic Competition

Competitive Landscape: Contract Operations¹



Industry Characteristics/Trends

● Performance Characteristics

<i>Project Gross Margins:</i>	10% to 20%
<i>Term:</i>	5 Years – 20 Years
<i>Opportunities for Margin Improvement:</i>	Add-On Work & Learning Curve Efficiencies
<i>Contract Renewal Rate:</i>	~ 80%

● Risk Assumption During Operations

- Maintenance Deductible
- Fine Protection Unless:
 - Excessive Flows or Loadings
 - System Design Constraints
 - Force Majeure
- Cost Certainty Over Contract Term (Barring Change-In-Law)

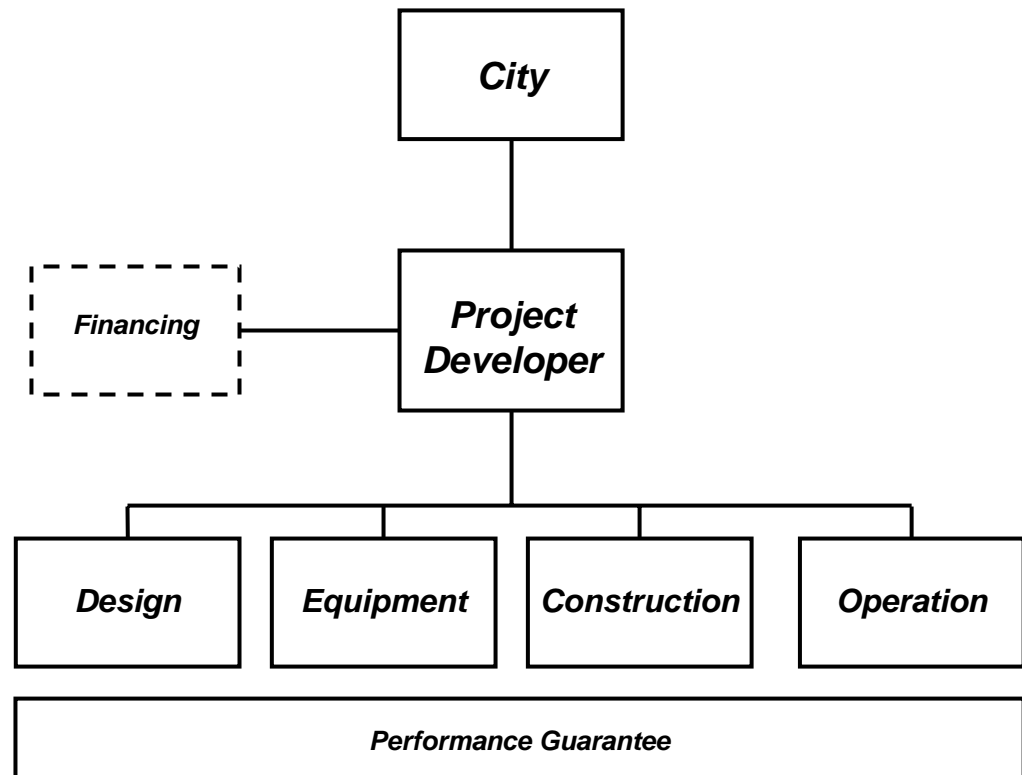
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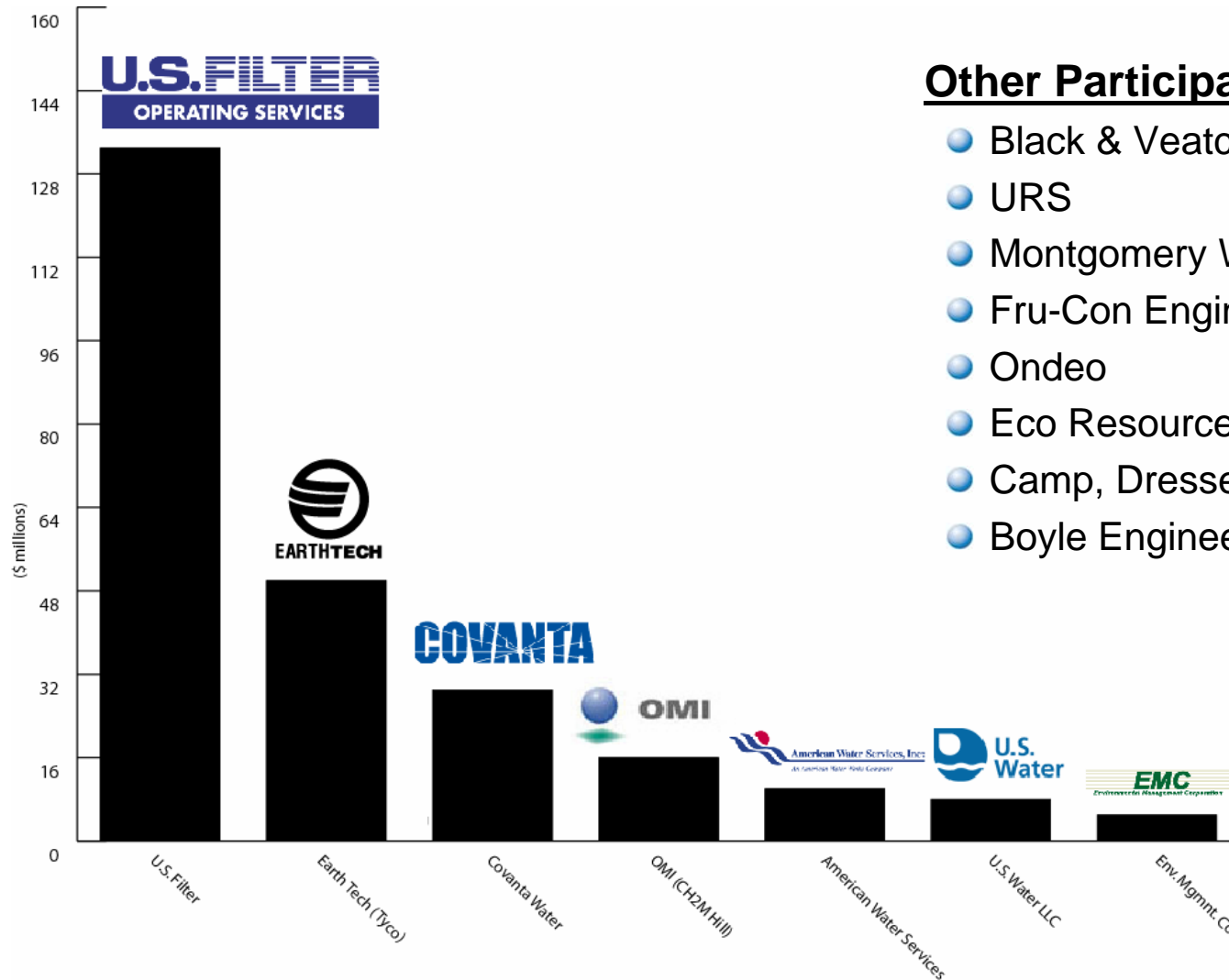
- Single Point of Accountability
- Private Sector Risk Assumption
- Acceleration of Project Delivery
- Reduced Lifecycle Costs

Growth Restraints

- Less Discretion in Design & Change Orders
- Requires More Planning for Procurement
- Output Oriented
- Legal Systems Need to Adapt
- Developer Financial Health is Important



Competitive Landscape: Design-Build Revenues¹



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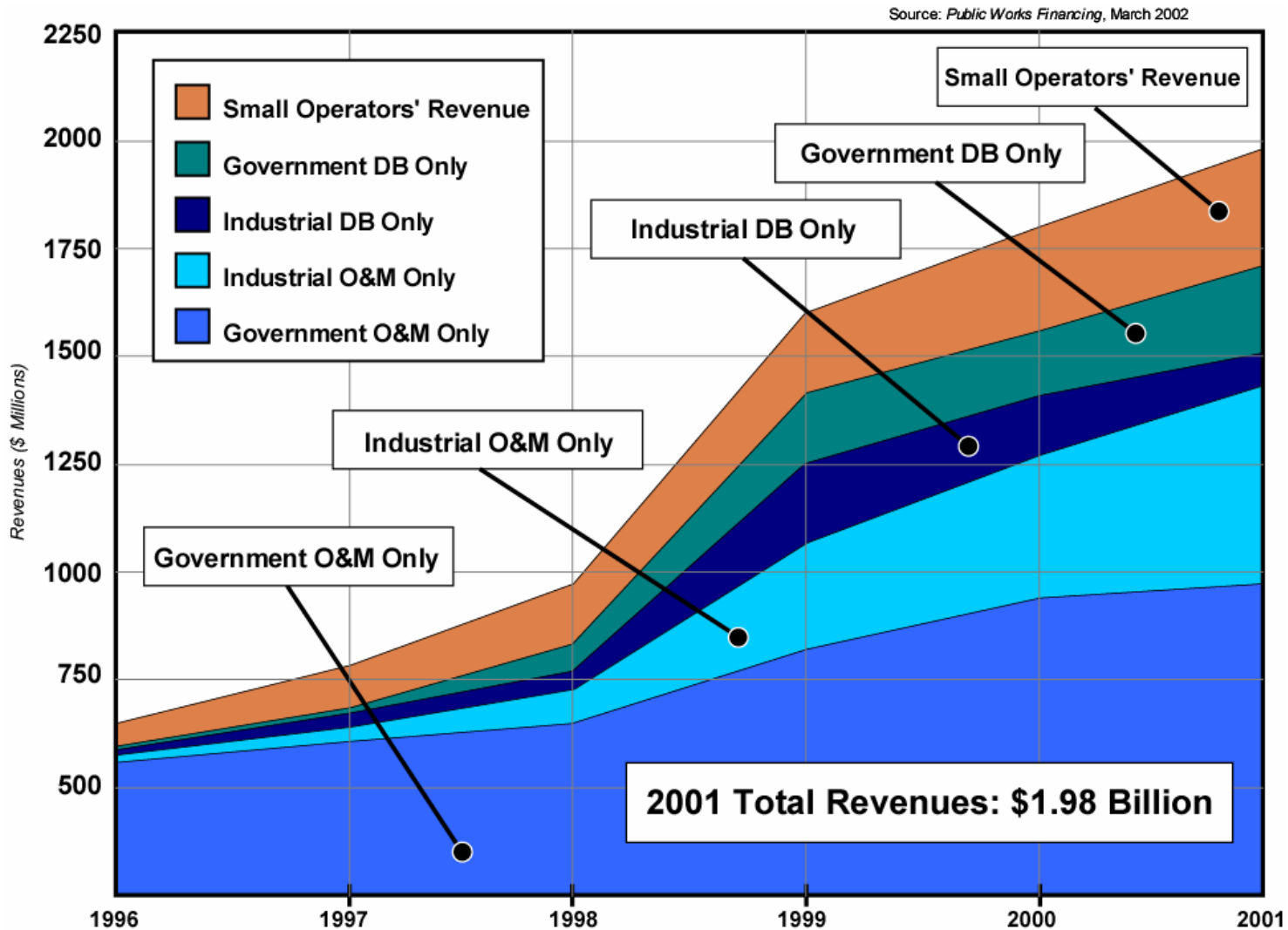
Target Margins:	3-10%
Growth in Number of Projects/Year:	<5 Completed in 1995 >25 Completed in 2002 (~\$5 Billion Total ¹)
Average Size:	73% < \$50 Million ¹
Capital Cost Savings:	39% ²

● Risk Assumption During Construction

- Cost, Schedule, Performance
- Liquidated Damages for Short-Falls
- Secured by Bonds, Letters of Credit & Corporate Guarantees

1. Molenaar. 2002
2. Eisenhardt. 2002

Market Growth



Contract Operations/D-B-O Market Outlook

- Less Competition/Improved Margins Due to Improved Project Screening & Consolidation
- Rationalized Risk Transfer
- Sustained Growth in Contract Operations
- Faster Growth in Design-Build
- Contract Operations to Experience Additional Consolidation
- Top 5 or 6 Will Offer Integrated D-B-O Package

Legislative Initiatives

Proposed Options	Impact on DBO/Contract Ops Market
Federal Grant Program	Negative – Creates Market Distortions/Inefficiencies
Loans & Credit Enhancements	Positive – Provides Small Communities Access to Needed Capital
Remove Cap on Private Activity Bonds	Positive – Affords Greater Flexibility in Financing
Economic Stimulus Bill	Positive – Particularly for Industrial Systems

Job Creation & Worker's Assistance Act - Background

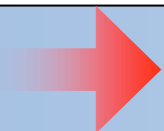
- Signed into Law on March 9, 2002
- Provision for 30% Depreciation on Qualified Property
- Must Be New & Placed in Service Between 9/01 & 9/04
- 30% is Calculated on the Original Cost of the Asset Price and is Deducted in the Year Placed in Service
- Basis for MACRS = Original Cost – 30% Deduction
- Some States Have Not Signed onto New Treatment

For Example:

$$\begin{array}{r} \text{WWTP} = \$10,000,000 \\ \text{1st Year Deduction} = \$ 3,000,000 \\ + \text{MACRS (7,000,000 x .05)} = \quad 350,000 \\ \hline \text{Year 1 Total Deduction} = \$ 3,350,000 \end{array}$$

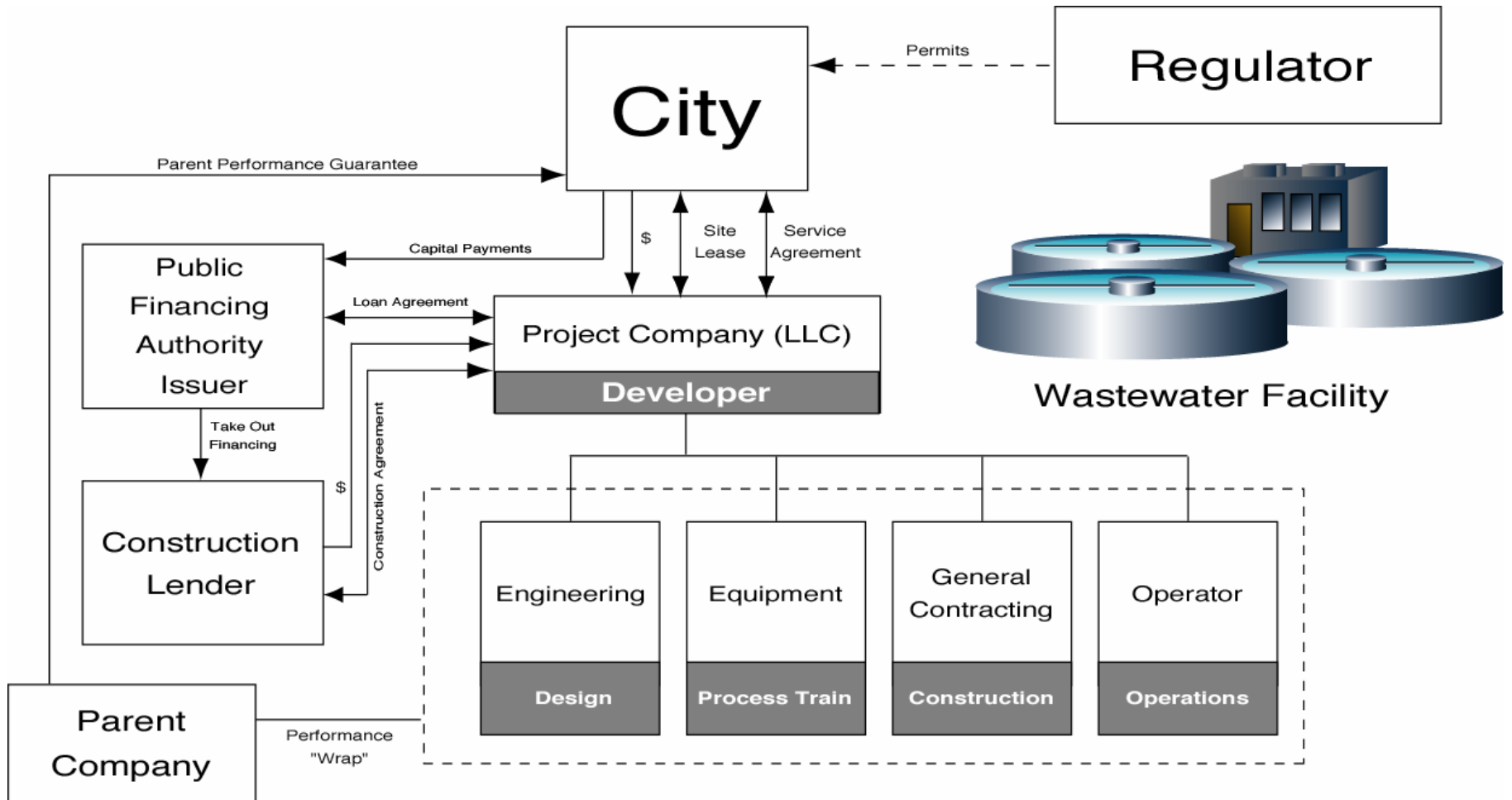
Implications For Water & Wastewater Equipment Manufacturers

- Evolving Path to Market
- Process Warranties Important
- Vertical Integration Strategies by Larger Rivals Not Proven Yet
- Vendor-Engineered Solutions Could Significantly Affect Design-Build



Equipment Represents Key Element of D-B-O Package

Implications For Water & Wastewater Equipment Manufacturers: Delivering Value Instead of Low Bid



Questions & Answers