

Ohio Department of Transportation

Prebid Questions

Project No. 080477

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Question Number: 1

Project is to bid 7/23/08. There is an interim completion date of 9/1/08 for RIC-SR 96 and WAY-SR 302 per plan sheet 4/10. The work to be done on these routes include 850 CY of Pavement Repair, 251,154 S.Y. of Single Chip Seal w/ Two Year Warranty, and pavement markings. By the time the project is awarded and contract is signed there will be a very narrow window to complete this work. With the addition of a warranty to the Chip Seal work and figuring on some weather days, this does not leave the contractor with a good time frame to accomplish the work. Would ODOT consider having all the chip seal work completed in 2009 and having the pavement repair work completed by an interim completion?

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District 3 Response: after discussions with our Columbus Office, there will be no Bituminous Price Adjustments on this project.

All prospective bidders, subcontractors, suppliers, materialmen and all others who have an interest in these prebid questions and answers are advised that these items are being provided for informational purposes only and are not part of the bidding documents. If a question warrants a clarification, the Department will issue an addenda addressing the request for clarification to all plan holders. If the Department believes that the bidding documents adequately address the request, the contractor will be advised accordingly.