

Ohio Department of Transportation

Prebid Questions

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Question Number: 1

In the traffic control notes on page 12 it states that " Should the Contractor fail to meet any of these requirements, the Contractor shall be assessed a disincentive in the amount of \$ 20,000.00 per day."

Per section 108.7 Schedule of Liquidated Damages on page 51 in the 2005 Spec book the amount of liquidated damages for failure to complete on time is \$ 700.00 per day for a contract amount of this size.

Why are the liquidated damages so high on this Job ?

Can the liquidated damages be reduced ?

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In the traffic control notes on page 11 it states " on 2 lane roadways, two lane traffic shall be maintained at all times except that one lane closure will be permitted for minimum periods of time with the approval of the Engineer. One lane closures will prohibited between the hours of 6:00 AM to 9:00 AM and 3:00 PM to 6:00 PM Monday through Friday unless otherwise specified by the Engineer "

Does this note mean that all two lane roadways on this contract are under time restrictions unless approval is given by the Engineer ?

It is understandable to have time restrictions in urban areas, but a considerable amount of this work is in rural light traffic areas.

The disincentive has been set at \$20,000 per day to discourage the contractor from working and closing lanes on a holiday. The amounts listed in CMS 108.07 are based on the cost to administer the contract and do not take into account road-user costs. The \$20,000 is based upon costs that would be incurred by the public as a result of the contractor reducing the number of available traffic lanes. The disincentive will not be reduced for this project.

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