Ohio Department of Transportation Prebid Questions

Project No. 080253 Sale Date - 4/9/2008

Question Submitted: Question Number: 1

Please post the existing plans for MAH-62-0207.

http://www.dot.state.oh.us/contract/ftp/attach/MAH-76320/

Question Submitted: 4/1/2008

Question Number: 2

ON PG. 11/36 OF THE PLANS THERE IS NO QUANTITY FOR MILLING & PAVING FROM SECTION SLM 5.16 TO 7.61. REPAIRS ARE TO BE DONE THE ENTIRE LENGTH OF THE PROJECT FROM SLM 0.00 TO SLM 7.61 PER THE PLANNOTES ON PG 3/36. WILL THE REPAIRS IN SECTION SLM 5.16 TO 7.61 NEED TO BE SEALED & WILL THE DEPT. REQUIRE THE MATERIAL TO BE 448-1? OR WAS THE QUANTITY FOR MILLING & PAVING OMITTED BY MISTAKE IN THIS AREA?

Question Submitted: 4/3/2008

Question Number: 3

ODOT's web site addendum summary shows one addendum for this project. I can not find this addendum under any search. does this project have a addendum and if so will you please list it.

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Question Number: 4

Addendum #1 has added an alternate bid reference #209 for Item 446E90000 which is Asphalt Concrete, Misc.: Warm Mix Asphalt By The Water Injection Method. This Item requires a Double Drum Asphalt Plant to produce the required material which will most probably result in ODOT receiving one bid. Can we bid this project without submitting a bid for the alternate as described.

The bidder must submit bids for both alternates. As always, the contract will be awarded base on the lower bid of the alternates. After the Award, the Dept selects the alternate to be performed and compensates the awarded bidder according to their bid for the selected alternate.

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Question Number: 5

Addendum #1 dated April 3, 2008 has added an alternate bid item for Warm Mix Asphalt by Water Injection Method, Surface Course. ODOT has specified a proprietary injection system as well as the type of mixing plant (double barrel) to be used. By placing these specifications on the item, if the contractor does not own this system and a double barrel asphalt plant, they will be restricted from turning in a bid. Talking to industry experts on this new technology, by mid summer, there will be water injections systems available for the asphalt plants that are currently operating in the area of this project. Please look at "as equal" methods of producing this warm mix asphalt to allow those who do not own the equipment specified to bid. Even if ODOT allows other methods, the contractor is still at great risk bidding with a system that is not available yet.

The Dept does not believe that any bidder will be restricted from submitting a bid for this alternate. The bidders may submit bids which reflect the cost of obtaining the required equipment. The project will, as always, be awarded based on the total project bid including only the lowest alternate.

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.