Ohio Department of Transportation Prebid Questions

Project No. 040582 Sale Date - 11/17/2004

<u>Question Submitted:</u> 10/28/2004 <u>Question Number:</u> 1

Due to the variety of work types on Project 040582 Summit County (flexible paving, structure removal, resteel, structural steel, painting, guardrail, fence, M.O.T., etc.) we respectfully request that ODOT reduce the 50% work type requirement to 40% or less for this particular project.

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Question Number: 2

The chain link fence spec calls for the chain link fabric and the chainlink fittings to be PVC coated. But, the posts are to be painted ?!? They are pulling this spec from the light pole standard. This has come up a few times in the past and PVC coated posts are always accepted after the fact. Except in one case in Findley Ohio where the posts had to be painted per the spec. The fence framework has since peeled dramatically and looks terrible. We manufacture the roll-formed "C" sectioon fence framework right here in Canton, Ohio which is used on the majority of Ohio D.O.T. chain link fence installations. Richards Fence in Akron Ohio is one of the largest PVC coaters of fence in the nation. These two projects are very close to both of us and we want to give our customers a competitive bid. However, this "paint" spec precludes us from doing so. Please put out an addendum accepting PVC coating on the framework too in order that two Ohio based manufacturers can quote this project. PVC coating on the framework meets AASHTO specs, ASTM specs, FAA specs Federal specs, and CLFMI specs. Not one of these specifying bodies has a specification for painting posts as thises are cureently written. Again that spec was written for light poles and not fence framework. Please call me as soon as possible.

Question Submitted: 11/10/2004

Reference # 95 The Bid Proposal is calling for 78" 707.24 Aluminum Spiral Rib for Liner Pipe. On page 840 of the spec book 707.24 only goes up to 66". Odot 707.12 Aluminized Spiral Rib on page 836 has sizes up to 90". Will ODOT allow the use of 707.12 in lieu of 707.24 due to size availability?

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Question Number: 3

Please provide clarification on interim completion dates listed in the plans. Plan page 24/381 indicates Phase 1A, Phase 1B and Phase 2 shall be completed by September 30, 2005. Per the chart on page 25/381 Wise Rd. which is part of Phase 2, has a required completion of 15-Oct-05.????

Also, be aware we are being told the proposed girders for the Wise Rd structure will not be available until mid-August at best. This would make the October 15, 2005 date very aggressive and the September 30, 2005 date unachievable.

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Page 4 of the 4A notes indicate Ohio Edison will have their facilities at Greensburg Rd relocated by September 1, 2004. This relocation is not done yet?

Q1) Yes, there is a conflict with the plans. The contractor may complete the Wise Rd work by the date & liquidated damages indicated on sheet 25/381, Oct 15, 2005. Q2) The Dept believes that the work can be completed by Oct 15. Q3) SBC is behind schedule. They have been contacted and are preparing a schedule to relocate their facilities. Q4) Ohio Edison has been contacted. They say their utility relocation work at Greenburg Road would will be complete by Dec 15, 2004.