Ohio Department of Transportation Prebid Questions

Project No. 080206 Sale Date - 3/5/2008

Question Submitted: Question Number: 1

The following two questions pertain to "Item 516 Elastomeric strip seal without extrusion, APP".It appears that replacing all the strip seals on both decks would require double the plan quantity. Please verify. Please consider extensing the completion date for this additional work since we are severely limited as to when these can be replaced. Field inspection of these expansion joints has revealed extensive work to remove and replace existing cover plates for at the median wall and parapet wall. Bolts are broken off, missing and rusted. Where are we paid to remove and replace these plates and bolts? Items 511 Concrete repair of parapets require a 5 day cure to achieve full strength. Will this be waived since traffic must be opened prior to rush hour on Monday mornings?

Question Submitted: 12/17/2007 Question Number: 2

Can the existing structure drawings be made available on the pdf web page?

http://www.dot.state.oh.us/contract/ftp/attach/SUM-77078/

Question Submitted: 12/6/2007 Question Number: 3

1.Please provide the existing structure drawings online.2.Where is the repair of the road to be included for the 12" storm sewer that crosses East North Street?3.Paragraph 2 of note 2 in section C on sheet 8/102 states the successful contractor shall have 12 consecutive weekends, once started, to finish the overlay operation excluding the designated holidays. The second paragraph of item 848 on plan sheet 68/102 states work is not permitted to start if rain is predicted to last more than 5 hours over the weekend. How can we be expected at bid time to know when we will have 12 consecutive weekends without rain? This a big deal since there is a \$50,000 per weekend disincentive if the work is not completed in the 12 weekend window.4.Can we work on both northbound and southbound overlay work on the same weekend?5.Paragraph 3 of the asbestos notification note on sheet 65/102 states the removal of abandoned asbestos conduit will be removed with the sidewalk grate. Basis of payment for this work is to be included in the portions of structure removed item. Asbestos abatement is generally a separate bid item. Please set up a bid item for this abatement.6.Trees need to be cleared prior to April 15th. Will this work be completed by others prior to this date?7.There are only a few trees marked for removal on the drawings. The clearing note on sheet 5/102 also states all trees within the right of way are to be cleared. Why are trees specifically marked if all trees in the right of way have to be removed? Should the first paragraph be deleted?

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<u>Question Submitted:</u> 2/26/2008 <u>Question Number:</u> 4

How will pedestrian traffic be maintained during sidewalk replacement?

The sidewalk grating is used by inspection and maintenance personnel for access. It does not have pedestrian traffic on it.

Question Submitted: 2/28/2008 Question Number: 5

The answer to question number 3 in addendum number one states that a weekend rainout will count against the 12 weekends give to perform the overlay work. It is not in the contractor's control if work is not to be performed on a particular weekend due to rain, it is a part of the 848 specification. Why would a weekend be charged against one of the twelve weekends if it is not in the contractor's control? If a the successful bidder gets rained out 8 weekends, according to your answer, he has 4 weekends to complete the work or be charged with \$50,000 a weekend penalty. This seems to be in error. The note should read that the contractor has 12 consecutive weekends to complete the overlay work once started not including holidays or weekends lost due to weather. Please reconsider your answer to question 3 in addendum one.

The District feels there is enough time built into the 12 weekends for rain. It is not an error. This is a restriction in order to minimize the impact on the traveling public while providing a reasonable time frame for the contractor to complete the work. This would in no way reduce the impact on the traveling public.

<u>Question Submitted:</u> 2/28/2008 <u>Question Number:</u> 6

Concerning your answer to question number 3 in addendum number 1. Have you considered the availability of hydrodemolition equipment when answering this question. Considering the amount of time you have to perform hydrodemolition in a 55 hour weekend (we estimate approximately 12 hrs) If you lose a weekend because of rain and it happens towards the later weeks of the 12 week limit you may be forced to try to perform over 2400 sy of overlay in one weekend. We doubt there is enough hydrodemolition equipment available to perform this quantity in one 55 hr weekend minus 24 hours of cure time.

Yes, we have considered this in our setting of the time restrictions. The District feels although you may loose some time due to rain there is enough time in the 12 weeks to complete the work.

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Question Submitted: 3/3/2008 Question Number: 7

Please confirm. In response to your answer to previous questions. The district is not granting any week end time extensions for rain. Meaning if it rains on week end number 11 the contractor has to perform double the quantity in week end number 12. If it rains on weekend number 12 the contractor is going to be penalized \$50,000.00Has ODOT made any arrangements for access to the work being performed under the structure between the south abutment and pier 4?

Yes, that is correct.

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