Ohio Department of Transportation Prebid Questions

Project No. 088030 Sale Date - 9/10/2008

Question Submitted: 8/24/2008

The fence Type CL ennclosure does not indicate a gate or opening. Should there be a Gate As Per Plan, and what is the size of the gate?

No gate or opening is to be provided in the chain link fence enclosure around the perimeter of the Log House roof.

Question Submitted: 8/27/2008

This question is regarding the MSE walls shown on sheet 44 of the contract drawings. The allowable bearing capacity is limited to 1.5 tsf (3.0 ksf). The actual applied bearing pressures approach 4.5 ksf. Please advise how to proceed.

Question Submitted: 8/29/2008

This question is regarding the Line No. 77, On-site Assistance of MSE - Rear Abutment and Line No. 92, On-site Assistance of MSE - Forward Abutment. The bid tabulations require 10 days of on-site assistance for each structure, i.e., a total of 20 days of on-site assistance to build both walls (3,000 sq. ft. of MSE wall). The Ohio DOT has reduced the number of days for on-site assistance to one or two days for similar structures recnetly. Please take one more look at this requirement of a total of 20 days on-site assistance for this project.

Question Submitted: 9/2/2008

Regarding the MSE wall Quantities: a) It appears that you intend to undercut the wall foundation by 3' (i.e. 2' below the normal 12" foundation prep). Is this your intent? b) In the assumed undercut area, you note that this material is to be "203 Granular Material, Type C." Is this volume of fill to be included in the Foundation Prep item? c) Section "CC" on plan sheet 45/48 does not show Select Granular Backfill behind the abutment. Is SGB to be placed there, and does Odot's quantities reflect this? d) Sections BB and CC on sheet 45 shows a vertical cut of 10 feet, while all other sections show a 1:1 slope. Are these special sections that require a vertical cut? If so, shouldn't there be shoring depicted and designed? If not, the shouldn't these sections be changed and the pay quantity for the SGB corrected?

a) YESb) YESc) Select Granular Backfill is to be used for backfill in all the areas with double diagonal hatching on the Cross Sections as specified and estimated quantities were based on the hatched areas.d) The excavation for the MSE wall construction cannot structurally damage or remove the Existing Flood Wall and the excavation limits and MSE wall construction details shown meet the flood wall protection requirements specified by the U.S. Corps of Engineers and can not be changed to remove the shoring requirements. See note on Sheet 36 for ITEM 503, COFFERDAMS, CRIBS, AND SHEETING, AS PER PLAN: and details for sheet piling on Sheet 37

Question Submitted: 9/2/2008

Art Thureson, Inc would like to be a pre-approved pedestrian bridge supplier. We echo the same argument as stated in a previous question on legitimate competition and would like to quote contractors the bridge. Can you provide an e-mail address on where to send our information for review? Also, past jobs let through ODOT have not require pre-approval as long as the supplier can meet the specifications listed. Call with any questions. www.artthuresoninc.com

OSE has had no experience with this supplier therefore would not be able to approve him in a timely manner. The Project would need to be delayed in order to allow OSE time to review this request. Therefore the supplier will not be added.

Question Submitted: 9/2/2008

Does the deck surface have to be diamond-grooved, or will a standard tined finish ba acceptable?

Deck shall be finished and grooved in accordance with CMS Section 511.

Question Submitted: 9/2/2008

Will a screed machine be allowed to place the deck concrete instead of a full bridge deck machine?

Finishing machine shall meet the requirements of CMS Section 511.

that these items are being provided for informational purposes only and are not part of the bidding documents. If a question warrants a clarification,

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