

No.	Question Submitted:	Status	Add. No.
1	<p>Q. Item # 204213 – Handling Contaminated Groundwater is listed as a lump sum item, when in the past it has been an allowance item. Being a lump sum, the contractor assumes all of the risk of the item. It is true that as the contractor, we control the method of removing the groundwater from the excavation, and we have some control over the equipment that makes up treatment system, but we have no control over the amount of water that will be removed from our excavations. Without this knowledge, neither the capacity of the treatment system nor the volume of discharge can be accurately quantified. In the spirit of a unit price bid, please consider changing this item to an allowance bid.</p> <p>R. Handling of Contaminated Groundwater was developed as a lump sum payment since the Contractor controls the means, methods, durations and schedules of construction operations which generate the amount of contaminated groundwater. Therefore the contractor is best suited to determine the cost for this work. The specification for Item #0204213A- Handling Contaminated Water will not be changed for this contract.</p>	F	3

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2	<p>Q. It has come to our attention that the condition of used barrier curb for Item # 0822001 - Temporary Precast Concrete Barrier Curb has become an issue. The Form 816 does not specifically detail the term "damage" when describing the acceptability of barrier curb for use. In the past, as long as the loops were in tact, the connecting bolt had the proper hardware, there was no exposed rebar, and large portions of concrete at the corners were not missing, the barrier curb was acceptable. Is this still the case, or is there a more stringent specification that includes the overall appearance of the barrier that the contractor has to follow?</p> <p>R. The Standard Specifications, Form 816, Section 8.22, Temporary Precast Concrete Barrier Curb, under Construction methods/installation, states that, "Any damaged material shall be removed and replaced by the Contractor at his expense."</p> <p>The Department currently utilizes the American Traffic Safety Services Association (ATSSA) Quality Guidelines for Temporary Traffic Control Devices and Features (2008-09 Edition); Quality Guidelines for Temporary Concrete Barrier as the criteria for acceptance of Temporary Precast Concrete Barrier Curb furnished to the project.</p>	F	3

The questioner's assessment is in line with the guidance document for classifying barrier for use on a project.

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3	<p>Q. Plan sheet SAN-02 shows several locations for cured in place pipe liner. Under what item will this work be paid?</p>		
	<p>R. Cured in place pipe lining identified on drawing SAN-02 is paid under the Contract Item No. 1400205A - Cured In Place Pipe Lining 450mm (Sanitary Sewer), which is included in Addendum No. 1.</p>	F	3

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4	<p>Q. Is there any information, such as permeability or porosity etc, which could assist in the computation of flow rates to be expected for Item 0204213A Handling Contaminated Groundwater?</p>		
	<p>R. The permeability of the soil can be estimated from the descriptions on the boring logs and the grain size tests included in the Geotechnical Roadway Report, posted on the DOT website. Please access the DOT's website to download the applicable reports as the following link will expire on the date of the bid opening. http://www.biznet.ct.gov/scp_search/BidDetail.aspx?CID=24062</p>	F	3

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5	<p>Q. In response to the Departments response to the question concerning the Contaminated water Treatment item, we are in full agreement that the contractor is in control of the means, methods, durations and schedules of the dewatering activities but we are not in control of the amount of water and rate if infiltration. Without this info it is impossible to size the treatment system. Please consider changing this item to a unit price item per litre of discharge and supply a quantity of discharge.</p>		
	<p>R. Item #0204213A, "Handling Contaminated Water" will not be changed to a unit price item per liter.</p>	F	3

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6	<p>Q. In reference to AOEC #8 (ENV-07) you show sample ID's SB 9 and SB 10. These are not included in the Task Reports. Where can these samples be found?</p>		
	<p>R. Sample ID's SB 9 and SB 10 can be found in Table 2 on page 21 of the Task 210 Subsurface Site Investigation, authored by TRC, dated April 2009 and posted on the DOT website. The Samples are labeled B1 through B14 in Table 2 and correspond to the samples labeled SB1 through SB14 on the Environmental Plan Drawings ENV-04 through ENV-07 (Sheets 01.13.004 through 01.13.008). Sample SB9 on ENV-7 is B9 in Table 2.</p>	F	3

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7	<p>Q. Please identify these two services by DOT bid item number. (Reference Drawing No. ILL-07, Sheet No. 03.04.17 and Drawing No. IMS-25, Sheet No. 03.05.025)</p>		
	<p>R. Drawing No. ILL-07, Sheet No. 03.04.17 is covered by the following Bid Item Number: Item No. 1017001 - Service Entrance and Cabinet Type I</p> <p>Drawing No. IMS-25, Sheet No. 03.05.025 is covered by the following Bid Item Numbers: Item No. 1017034A - Install Service Item No. 1017033A - Service Cabinet</p>	F	3

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8	<p>Q. Due to the size, complexity and voluminous addendums already added to the above referenced Project, we are requesting a minimum two (2) week postponement of the bid date. Please issue an official postponement notice for this request.</p>	F	3
	<p>R. The Department is not postponing the Bid Date.</p>		

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9	<p>Q. At Bridge 53 (Taylor Ave.) and Bridge 55 (Fairfield Ave.), overhead utilities are carried over I-95 by poles adjacent to the existing bridge. These poles and overhead wires are to be moved prior to construction according to the contract drawings. Are these utilities being moved to their final location as shown on contract drawings 5.05.002 and 5.05.003 before construction begins or are they being moved to an intermediate location during construction and then into their final position once construction at the sites is finished? If so, to where are they being moved?</p>		
	<p>R. The poles on US Route 1 are being relocated as part of Advanced Utility Contract 102-343. The poles on Taylor Avenue, Cedar Street and Fairfield Avenue will be relocated during this Project in conjunction with Bridge stage construction. Additional overhead utility information can also be found in Subset 05.03. (Drawing SNEW-02).</p>	F	3

After Cedar Street Bridge is constructed, the intent is to remove the overhead utilities from both Bridge 53, Taylor Avenue over I-95 and Bridge 55, Fairfield Avenue over I-95. Temporary relocations of overhead utilities will be routed through Cedar Street Bridge to avoid aerial impacts during construction of Bridges 53 and 55. Permanent utility installations, on either end of Bridge Nos. 53 and 55, will be performed in conjunction with the Bridge construction.

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10	<p>Q. Item 0913952 Protective Fence (1.525 M High) and Item 0913955 Protective Fence (2.1 M High) (Curved)</p> <p>The specifications for these items do not match the information given on the drawings. For example: on sheet 02.04.025 the notes call for All Fence Components including posts, rails, fittings, anchorages and fasteners shall be hot dipped galvanized after fabrication, the spec calls for posts and rails to be aluminum and anodized black. Also under construction methods the spec calls for preassembly of panels, this does not appear to be appropriate for the type of fence shown on the drawings. As you go through the spec other items do not match up as well.</p> <p>Please clarify.</p>		
	<p>R.</p>		

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11	<p>Q. I am trying to find Section 1.07.13 regarding contractor's responsibilities for adjacent properties. The original spec has up to 1.07.11.</p> <p>I do not see the section in addendum 1 or 2....please help.</p>		
	<p>R. See Form 816, Section 1.07, including all supplemental specifications.</p>		I

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12	<p>Q. Is the Item 406165 – WMA S0.5 covered in the Asphalt Adjustment Cost Bid Item (0406999A)? If it is, the WMA uses the PG 76-22 liquid asphalt and is not covered on the DOT Asphalt Price Adjustment website. What price history and current price are we to use?</p> <p>R. Item No. 0406165 – WMA S0.5 is covered in the Asphalt Adjustment Cost Bid Item No. 0406999A, revision dated 12/22/10 and included in Addendum No. 3. The provision includes the statement “Regardless of the binder used in all HMA and/or WMA mixtures, the Asphalt Adjustment Cost will be based on PG 64-22.”</p>	F	3
13	<p>Q. In reference to Addendum #2 – Notice to Contractor – Contaminated Material Management, the last two paragraphs address the disposal of materials that test “clean” by their characterization sampling. The quantity of this material cannot be determined, therefore the costs of reloading, trucking and disposal of this material cannot be estimated. Please furnish a quantity of the materials to be disposed or create a new item “Disposal of Clean Materials”.</p> <p>R. Clean materials may be encountered during the excavation activities in the Detention Pond, based on the results of the in-situ waste disposal characterization sampling. For estimating purposes, the Contractor shall assume that excavation below Elevation 3.5m in the pond area will be considered "clean" or non-polluted material. Removal of clean material from the site shall be the responsibility of the Contractor in accordance with the applicable excavation items.</p> <p>The word “disposal” was inadvertently used in the last paragraph of the Notice to Contractor – Contaminated Material Management. The paragraph should read as follows:</p> <p>“Clean materials may only be <i>placed</i> within the project limits when the disposition of all reusable materials has been accounted for and with the approval of the Engineer. <i>Removal of clean materials from the site</i> shall be the responsibility of the Contractor at no additional cost to the State.”</p>	I	

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14	<p>Q. RE: item 1209902A – structure mounted sign supports</p> <p>Shop welded frames appear too large to galvanize. Largest one (which I believe is structure #3 on bridge 00053) is approximately 12.2 ft x 8.6 ft x 11.8 ft when fully assembled. I am not aware of any galvanizing kettle in this region large enough to handle those dimensions. These structures need to have less shop welded connections.</p> <p>We recommend making the vertical bracing and top & bottom struts into shop welded assemblies – 3 per structure, then re-designating all of the horizontal braces that go between as field welded connections. The reason we recommend field weld vs. bolted is that by welding the cross bracing, we will eliminate the need to coordinate highly precise field measurements on the (6) anchor bolt patterns. Field welded connections will allow more tolerance on the reference between those anchor patterns. Please note that DOT has already designated several field welded connections on these structures anyway.</p>		
	<p>R.</p>		

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15	<p>Q. Is there information available regarding the existing ground at the detention pond? There is a considerable amount of excavation at this location and we have been unable to compute an accurate quantity. Also, how was the quantity appearing in the detailed estimate computed?</p>		
	<p>R. A Pond Grading Plan is shown on Drawing DRN-07, Sheet No. 01.12.007.A1. The proposed contours match into existing contours at the cut line, so existing ground elevations can be derived from that plan. The quantity of material appearing in the detailed estimate sheet was calculated using two methods; end area method and difference of existing and proposed dtm surfaces (Bentley InRoads).</p>		I

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16	<p>Q. This project was essentially available for bidding on January 25, 2012 when 178 new plan sheets and 26 revised plan sheet along with commensurate revisions to the specifications were issued. In light of such changes, a postponement of the bid date of two weeks would seem reasonable.</p>		
	<p>R. The State has postponed the bid opening one week from February 15, 2012 to February 22, 2012.</p>	I	

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17	<p>Q. For the various Sanitary Sewer items that will require by-pass pumping or other means of handling, can the expected sewage flow rates be provided?</p>		
	<p>R. The special provision for Item No. 1401054A Handling Sanitary Sewer (Sanitary Sewer) has been revised to include anticipated sewage flow rates and included in Addendum No. 3.</p>	F	3

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18	<p>Q. We have been advised by several potential subcontractors that, owing to the expeditious bid schedule, their ability to provide a timely and comprehensive proposal is being negatively impacted. Would the State consider a two week postponement?</p>		
	<p>R. The State has postponed the bid opening one week from February 15, 2012 to February 22, 2012.</p>	I	

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19	<p>Q. Please confirm that item “0969052A Contractor Quality Control Program” does not include performing actual field testing.</p> <p>R. The Item No. 0969052A Contractor Quality Control Program is the development, maintenance and implementation of a plan to ensure all work activities have an internal monitoring and correction program. The specification states “The Quality Control Program is neither intended to relieve the Contractor from its responsibility under the Contract, nor to replace the external inspections of the work carried out by, or on behalf of, the Engineer.”</p>	I	

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20	<p>Q. Can you provide a spec for the gabion baskets?</p> <p>R. Gabions are covered by specification under Form 816, Section 7.04.</p>	I	

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21	<p>Q. Also the temp water main on the Fairfield Ave. Bridge what type of insulation is required on the C900 line?</p> <p>R. The temporary pipe has the same insulation as the permanent pipe except a polyethylene tape cover is used.</p>	I	

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22	Q. Where are the WM sheets located?		
	R. Water Relocation sheets are shown in Subset 05.03, SNEW Plans, Drawings SNEW-07 to SNEW-15 (Sheets 05.03.07 to 05.03.015).	I	

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23	Q. Addendum #2 amended Item 0202003 – Earth Excavation to include” the design and construction of all related environmental controls required for the execution of the work...” Is this meant to replace the Temporary Check Dam, Temporary Slope Protection, Sedimentation Control System, Temporary Turf Establishment and Erosion Control Matting Items? Please delineate where these items are paid as the unit price items and where they are paid under the Earth Excavation Items. This is necessary to determine the quantity of each item that is required under the Earth Excavation Item.		
	R. The provision does not replace the environmental control items included in the Contract. The items listed in the question are independently measured and paid separate of any additional earth excavation the Contractor may perform in the execution of their work.	I	

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24	Q. It appears that several of the landscape tree bid items that were revised in Addendum #2 were left off of the Bid form issued with Addendum #3. Are these Bid Items still in the contract or have they been eliminated? Also can the bid form be re-issued in numerical order?		
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	R. The Contractor should use the bid form provided in the Addendum No. 3.		

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25	Q. How is the contractor to be paid for the trench excavation as shown on Sheet DPR-02? These trenches are in excess of 6.0 meters deep.		
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