ENGINEERING AND RELATED SERVICES JULY 28, 2016

CONTRACT NO. 4400009423
RETAINER CONTRACT FOR
BRIDGE LOAD RATING SERVICES
STATEWIDE

DBE/WBE GOAL = 2%

Under Authority granted by Title 48 of Louisiana Revised Statutes, the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (DOTD) hereby issues a Request for Qualification Statements (RFQ) on DOTD Form 24-102 (24-102), "Professional Engineering and Related Services", revised November 2011, from Consulting Firms (Consultant) to provide engineering and related services. Consultants who are a Louisiana or foreign LLC or corporation should be appropriately registered with the Louisiana Secretary of State, as contemplated by Title 12 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes, and with LAPELS under it's rules for FIRMS. If a Consultant fails to place itself in good standing in accordance with those provisions, it may be subject to consequences contemplated in Title 12 and/or the LAPELS rules. All requirements of Louisiana Professional Engineering and Land Surveying (LAPELS) Board must be met and the Prime consultants must be registered with the Federal Government using SAM.gov prior to contract execution. One Prime-Consultant/Sub-Consultant(s) (Consultant/Team) will be selected for this Contract.

DOTD employees may not submit a proposal, nor be included as part of a Consultant's team.

Project Manager – Mr. William Metcalf

All inquiries concerning this advertisement should be sent in writing to Mark.Chenevert@la.gov and heather.huval@la.gov.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The selected Consultant will perform engineering services for complex and non-complex bridge rating (on-system) services for statewide projects covered by a Retainer Contract under separate Task Orders. The Consultant will be required to execute a Task Order which will specify the scope of services, contract time, and compensation. Each Task Order will become a part of the Retainer Contract.

SCOPE OF SERVICES

The selected Consultant will be required to provide some or all of the following services for each Task Order (TO):

Task 1: Plan and Document Retrieval and Review (20%)

Retrieve the following information and documents from the sources listed below.

Documents and Information

- 1. The current available inspection reports, and when necessary the previous bridge inspection reports as well.
- 2. Bridge plans As-Built (including shop drawings where available) bridge plans shall be searched and collected from the sources listed below. If no As-Built plans can be located, then the As-Designed (final tracings, contract plans, etc.) shall be searched and collected from the sources listed below. If the bridge plans cannot be located, then all sources listed below shall be searched to collect for any/all of the following information:
 - Name of any standard plans used.
 - Sketches or partial drawings of the structure.
 - Any plan sheets that are available.
 - Any former rating documents. Name of engineer/firm from previous rating.
 - Name of Engineer/firm that designed the structure.
 - Name of the Entity that built the structure (State government, local government, private, special such as the core of engineers, etc.)
- 3. Repair Details Any information relevant to repairs or retrofits (such as widening) that may have been done to the structure.
- 4. Field measurements Any measurements taken for the structure, or load testing done on the structure.

The following sources will be used to locate the bridge plans and related information.

- 1. Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development headquarters.
 - General Files.
 - InspectTech Bridge Record Database.
 - Content Manager System.
 - Section 51- Bridge Maintenance.
 - Section 25 Bridge Design.

- 2. Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development district offices.
- 3. Local Parish governments.
- 4. Any engineers, firms, or fabricators whose names have been discovered from other sources (previous rating engineer, design engineer, etc.)
- 5. The entity who constructed the structure if it is different from the current owner.

An electronic copy (pdf file) of all retrieved information shall be delivered to the bridge rating unit of DOTD.

Task 2: Bridge Inspection (20%)

Bridge inspection for this contract is for the purpose of:

- 1. Producing the most accurate rating by accounting for field conditions.
- 2. Gathering field measurements to assist with load rating and record recovery.

Therefore, the required bridge inspection for complex bridges (and for non-complex bridges when bridge inspection is necessary) will not be the equivalent to an NBIS bridge condition inspection. The type of inspection will follow similar procedure as the NBIS inspection but the goals and the outcomes are different.

- The inspection shall be supervised by a registered licensed engineer who is involved in the bridge rating of the structure.
- Any equipment need for the inspection shall be arranged for by the consultant, and approved by DOTD.
- All bridge inspections shall be summarized in a report which shall include pictures, and documentation of any field measurements taken.
- Copies of all reports and other documents shall be submitted to DOTD as both hard copy and electronic files.
- Image files of all pictures taken in the bridge inspection shall be electronically submitted to DOTD.

Task 3: Analysis and Load Rating (40%)

Modeling & Analysis

Perform a system structural model and analysis of the bridge to determine dead load and live load effects in the members. A three-dimensional structural model may be needed for complex bridges (when required).

- The load analysis should consider present condition of the bridge.
- Live load analysis should include design loads, and legal loads
 - o Design Live Loads: HL-93

- o Legal Loads: DOTD State Legal Loads and SHV (if HL-93 inventory rating less than 1.0).
- Secondary and temperature effects may need to be considered.

Load Rating

The rating is to be based on the present condition, capacity and loading of the bridge.

All structures shall be rated using the load rating provisions in the Current AASHTO Manual for Bridge Evaluation and the DOTD Policies and Guidelines for Bridge Rating and Evaluation.

All bridges which can possibly be rated using AASHTOWare BrDR bridge rating software must be rated in this software. For any bridges that cannot be rated using BrDR influence lines must be provided for critical members including substructure.

Task 4: Perform Quality Assurance and Quality Control Reviews of Structural Load Ratings

This task does not replace the requirements of the Consultant to perform quality assurance and quality control (QA/QC) of all their work as described below in the section entitled "QUALITY CONTROL/QUALITY ASSURANCE"

As needed the Consultant will be task to do "peer review" ratings, and other reviews of ratings performed by others. If needed the scope of these services will be further defined in the task order.

Task 5: Correct existing BrDR files that do not run correctly. (10%)

As needed the Consultant will be task with reviewing BrDR files provided by DOTD that do not rate correctly and modifying the file so that it runs and gives correct results. Consultant will have to trouble shoot the file and then make necessary changes. If needed the scope of these services will be further defined in the task order.

Task 6: Generate Repair Strategies and Plan Documents for Bridges (5%)

The scope of services, compensation and contract time for future engineering services will be established by task order for this task.

Task 7: Sampling, Instrumentation and Non-destructive Testing (5%)

May consist of the collection of samples of existing materials for evaluation to determine the properties.

Diagnostic tests and proof test may be required to be performed to determine certain response characteristics of the bridges to analytically compute the load rating of a bridge. Instrumentation would include (not limited to) the following:

- Field Instrumentation
- Data acquisitions and communications
- Web hosting for data collection
- Instrumentation maintenance
- Centralized data warehouse support
- Instrumentation consultation
- Data acquisition software updates
- Instrumentation calibration

Project Submittal Requirements

Project submittals shall be determined in each task order. All bridge plans, bridge file information, and bridge rating reports submittals except the 100% Final submittal shall be submitted in pdf format. The 100% signed final submittal shall be submitted one in hard copy and one in pdf format.

Design/Rating Software Requirement

A list of pre-approved commercially available software is posted on the Bridge Design Section's website at the following location:

 $\frac{http://wwwsp.dotd.la.gov/Inside_LaDOTD/Divisions/Engineering/Bridge_Design/BDE}{M\%20New\%20Manual/BDEM\%20(New\%20Manual).pdf}$

If any other software is needed, a synopsis of the software shall be submitted to the State Bridge Rating Engineer for approval prior to use. The synopsis shall include the name of the software and the developer, a general description of the functions, a certification from the software developer stating that it is maintained in accordance with the latest AASHTO LRFD Bridge Design Specifications, and an account of the requester's experience and the experience of other organizations or agencies that use the software. If any other software other than AASHTOWare Bridge Rating is used influence lines/surfaces are required for final submittal. Data/results from in-house software will not be accepted as part of the deliverable.

REFERENCES

All services and documents will meet the standard requirements as to format and content of the DOTD; and will be prepared in accordance with the latest applicable editions, supplements and revisions of the following:

- 1. AASHTO LRFD Design Specifications
- 2. AASHTO Manual for Bridge Evaluation (MBE)
- 3. AASHTO LRFD Moveable Highway Bridge Design Specifications.
- 4. FHWA NHI Bridge Inspector's Reference Manual (BIRM)
- 5. FHWA National Bridge Inspection Standards (NBIS)
- 6. AASHTO Roadside Design Guide
- 7. AASHTO Standard Specifications for Structural Supports of Highway Signs, Luminaries, and Traffic Signals
- 8. ASTM Standards or DOTD Test Procedures
- 9. DOTD Location and Survey Manual
- 10. DOTD Roadway Design Procedures and Details
- 11. DOTD Hydraulics Manual
- 12. Louisiana Standard Specifications for Roads and Bridges
- 13. Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD)
- 14. DOTD Traffic Signal Design Manual
- 15. National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)
- 16. National Electric Safety Code
- 17. National Electric Code (NFPA 70)
- 18. DOTD Environmental Impact Procedures (Vols. I-III)
- 19. Policy on Geometric Design of Highways and Streets
- 20. Construction Contract Administration Manual
- 21. Materials Sampling Manual
- 22. DOTD Bridge Design Manual and LRFD Bridge Design Manual
- 23. DOTD Bridge Design Technical Memorandums
- 24. Consultant Contract Services Manual
- 25. Geotechnical Engineering Services Document
- 26. DOTD "A Guide to Constructing, Operating, and Maintaining Highway Lighting Systems"

Follow link below for the individual reference links:

http://webmail.dotd.louisiana.gov/ContWEB.nsf/b88769326453bef886256fe00047183a/18fc2860512aba5886257a62006133b8?OpenDocument

COMPENSATION

Compensation to the Consultant for services rendered in connection with each TO shall be based on negotiated work-hours using DOTD established billable rates for the actual work performed on the Task Order.

The Consultant may request to have the initial billable rates updated on a yearly basis based on the latest DOTD escalation rate. However, any adjustment to the Contract billable rates shall not be cause for an increase in the maximum compensation limitation imposed herein.

The amount payable under this Retainer Contract for services to be performed under the various TO's shall not exceed a maximum of \$5,000,000. Each TO shall be payable under the respective TO project number which shall be obtained by the Project Manager.

All travel related expenses will be compensated under direct expenses, and will be in accordance with Louisiana Office of State Travel regulations found at: http://www.doa.la.gov/osp/travel/travelpolicy/2015-16TravelGuide.pdf Vehicle rental rates will require prior approval from the DOTD Project Manager.

DIRECT EXPENSES

All direct expense items which are not paid for in the firm's overhead which are needed and will be consumed during the life of the contract must be identified by the consultant during contract development. Standard equipment to be used in the provision of services rendered for this contract will not be considered for payment under direct expenses. Failure to provide the above information will deem items as non-qualifying for direct expenses.

The consultant shall provide a minimum of three rate quotes for any specialty vehicle or equipment. Any and all items for which said quotes are not submitted shall be deemed as non-qualifying for payment as direct expenses.

The Consultant may request to have the initial billable rates updated on a yearly basis. However, any adjustment to the Contract billable rates shall not be cause for an increase in the maximum compensation limitation imposed herein.

CONTRACT TIME AND NOTICE TO PROCEED

This Retainer Contract shall be in effect for the duration of **five years**. The services to be performed for each Task Order (TO) will be determined prior to the execution of the TO. The Consultant will proceed with the services required in the TO upon issuance of the Notice to Proceed from the DOTD. The contract time for each TO, will be specified in the executed TO. Any TO in effect, prior to the expiration date of the Retainer Contract

shall be completed. Any TO which has not expired may be supplemented as long as the Retainer Contracts funds have not been exhausted.

ELECTRONIC DELIVERABLES

- 1. The Consultant shall develop and submit as a deliverable an electronic copy (pdf file format) of all the retrieved information used for the load rating to the DOTD Project Manager.
- 2. When applicable. The Consultant shall develop and submit an inspection report for each bridge that shall include a summary of the current condition of primary load-carrying members, critical findings, photographs of defects that affect the load rating, and documentation of any field measurements taken.
- 3. The Consultant shall develop and submit a rating report for each bridge that shall include documentation of final condition of all deteriorated or rehabilitated members as well as pictures and any assumptions influencing the rating. One electronic copy of the rating report shall be submitted to the DOTD Project Manager and shall include one electronic copy of the final plans and existing plans.
- 4. The consultant shall submit an electronic copy of all bridge models created and of all calculations (e.g. MathCAD, spreadsheets, hand calculations.
- 5. Task 4 The Consultant shall develop a QC/QA checklist document that shows the required steps were taken during the load rating process.

QUALITY CONTROL/QUALITY ASSURANCE

The Prime Consultant shall submit a bridge design QC/QA plan document specifically developed for this project as part of the DOTD Form 24-102. The QC/QA plan document must comply with the minimum requirements set in the "Guidance on QC/QA in Bridge Design in Response to NTSB Recommendation (H-08-17)" (FHWA/AASHTO Guidance), which was published by FHWA and AASHTO in August 2011, and LADOTD Bridge Design Section QC/QA policy issued as Bridge Design Technical Memorandum No. 37 in October 2012. The FHWA/AASHTO guidance and LADOTD Bridge Design Section QC/QA Policy can be downloaded from LADOTD Bridge Design Section website. The grading instructions, the rating matrix, and the grading sheet for the QC/QA plan document are included in Appendix G of the LADOTD Bridge Design Section QC/QA Policy. The QC/QA plan document should be prepared to address all evaluation criteria included in the rating matrix. The QC/QA plan document must be implemented for all bridge design activities in both design phase and construction support phase of the project. The Prime Consultant is fully responsible for QC/QA of their work as well as the work of all sub-consultants. All project submittals must include a QC/QA certification that the submittals meet the requirements of the DOTD Policies and Guidelines for Bridge Rating and Evaluation.

ITEMS TO BE PROVIDED BY DOTD

The DOTD shall provide Traffic Data, Standard Plans, As-built plans if available, Bridge Shop Drawings if available, Bridge Maintenance File and Inspection Reports if available, Bridge Load Rating Reports if available, Access to BrR input tables for the On-System Bridges, DOTD rating guidelines and/or any other pertinent information if available, which may assist the Consultant in performing this work.

MINIMUM PERSONNEL REQUIREMENTS

The following requirements must be met by the Prime-Consultant at the time of submittal:

- 1. At least one Principal of the Prime Consultant must be a Professional Engineer registered in the State of Louisiana.
- 2. At least one Principal or other responsible member of the Prime-Consultant must be a Professional Civil Engineer registered in the State of Louisiana, with a minimum of ten years of experience in the use of the Louisiana Standard Specifications for Roads and Bridges and the Louisiana DOTD Bridge Design Manual, and have a corresponding support staff with the following minimum experience:
 - a. One Professional Civil Engineer registered in the State of Louisiana, with a minimum of ten years of experience in reinforced concrete, pre-stressed concrete, and steel plate girder bridges.
 - b. Two Professional Civil Engineers registered in the State of Louisiana, with a minimum of five years of bridge rating experience, and a minimum of three years of experience using BrR(Virtis) load rating software.
- 3. In addition to the above requirements, the Prime-Consultant must employ on a full time-basis, or through the use of a Sub-Consultant(s):
 - a. Two Professional Civil Engineers with a minimum of ten years of experience in complex bridge design/rating such as truss bridges, movable bridges, cable stay bridges and segmental bridges, etc.

Training Certifications/Certifications of Compliance must be submitted with and made part of the Consultants DOTD Form 24-102 for all Personnel Requirements listed herein.

WORK ZONE TRAINING REQUIREMENTS (PRE-CONSTRUCTION SERVICES)

As part of DOTD's on-going commitment to work zone safety, required work zone training courses must now be taken every four years in order for personnel to remain eligible to work on DOTD projects. For consultants performing pre-construction services (i.e., design, survey, subsurface utility, geotechnical, traffic, bridge inspection, environmental services), appropriate personnel must take these courses. In general, the

responsible charge of traffic control plans shall be required to have Traffic Control Supervisor training. For field services performed within the clear zone, at least one member of the field crew shall have Traffic Control Supervisor or Traffic Control Technician training. Consultant should identify all personnel listed in the staffing plan for the project that have completed the appropriate work zone training courses. Current certifications of compliance for this training should be submitted with and made part of Consultant's DOTD Form 24-102. The consultant shall explain in Section 13 of DOTD Form 24-102 how they plan to meet the work zone requirements. However, all requirements shall be met prior to contract execution. It will be the prime consultant's responsibility to ensure their staff and sub-consultants have the appropriate work zone training.

The above requirements are the minimum to perform work on DOTD projects. It is desired that all staff have work zone training as shown below:

Engineers: Traffic Control Technician

Traffic Control Supervisor

Flagger

Engineer Interns: Traffic Control Technician

Traffic Control Supervisor

Flagger

Field Senior Technicians, Survey Party Chiefs, and

SUE Worksite Traffic Supervisors: Traffic Control Technician

Traffic Control Supervisor

Flagger

Field Personnel: Traffic Control Technician

Flagger

Approved courses are offered by ATSSA and AGC. Substitutes for these courses must be approved by the LA DOTD Work Zone Task Force. Specific training course requirements are:

Flagger: Successful completion every four years of a work zone flagger

course approved by the Department. The "DOTD Maintenance Basic Flagging Procedures Workshop" is not an acceptable

substitute for the ATSSA and AGC flagging courses.

Traffic Control Technician (TCT): Successful completion every four years of a work zone traffic control technician course approved the

Department. After initial successful completion, it is not necessary

to retake this course every four years if Traffic Control Supervisor training is completed every four years.

Traffic Control Supervisor (TCS): Successful completion of a work zone traffic control supervisor course approved by the Department. Following an initial completion, traffic control supervisors must either complete a 1-day TCS refresher course or retake the original 2-day TCS course every four years.

ATSSA contact information: (877) 642-4637

EVALUATION CRITERIA

The general criteria to be used by DOTD in evaluating responses for the selection of a Consultant to perform these services are:

- 1. Consultant's firm experience on similar projects, weighting factor of 3;
- 2. Consultant's personnel experience on similar projects, weighting factor of 4;
- 3. Consultant's firm size as related to the estimated project cost, weighting factor of 3;
- 4. Consultant's past performance on similar DOTD projects, weighting factor of 6;**
- 5. Consultant's current work load, weighting factor of 5;
- 6. Location where the work will be performed, weighting factor of 4. *

**The performance rating <u>Bridge Design (BZ)</u> <u>Bridge Rating (BF)</u> will be used for this project.

Consultants with no past performance rating in a rating category will be assigned the average rating of the firms submitting; with ratings capped at the statewide average rating for that category as of the date the advertisement was posted.

Complexity level – normal

Consultants will be evaluated as indicated in Items 1-6. The evaluation will be by means of a point-based rating system. Each of the above criteria will receive a rating on a scale of 1-5. Then the rating will be multiplied by the corresponding weighting factor. The firm's ratings in each category will then be added to arrive at the Consultant's final rating.

If Sub-Consultants are used, the Prime Consultant must perform a minimum of 51% of the work for the overall project. Each member of the Consultant/Team will be evaluated on their part of the contract, proportional to the amount of their work. The individual team member ratings will then be added to arrive at the Consultant/Team rating.

^{*}Location will be based from Marksville, Louisiana.

DOTD's Project Evaluation Team will be responsible for performing the above described evaluation, and will present a short-list of the three (if three are qualified) highest rated Consultants to the Secretary of the DOTD. The Secretary will make the final selection. Below are the proposed Team members. DOTD may substitute for any reason provided the members meet the requirements of R.S. 48:291.

- 1. Mark Chenevert Ex officio
- 2. William Metcalf
- 3. Dana Feng
- 4. Jarrett Lambert
- 5. Nick Fagerburg
- 6. Steven Sibley

Rules of Contact (Title 48 Engineering and Related Services)

These rules are designed to promote a fair, unbiased, legally defensible selection process. The LA DOTD is the single source of information regarding the Contract selection. The following rules of contact will apply during the Contract selection process and will commence on the date of advertisement and cease at the contract execution by the selected firm. Contact includes face-to-face, telephone, facsimile, Electronic-mail (E-mail), or formal written communications. Any contact determined to be improper, at the sole discretion of the LA DOTD, may result in the rejection of the submittal (24-102):

- A. The Consultant shall correspond with the LA DOTD regarding this advertisement only through the LA DOTD Consultant Contracts Services Administrator;
- B. Neither the Consultant, nor any other party on behalf of the Consultant, shall contact any LA DOTD employees, including but not limited to, department heads; members of the evaluation teams; and any official who may participate in the decision to award the contract resulting from this advertisement except through the process identified above. Contact between Consultant organizations and LA DOTD employees is allowed during LA DOTD sponsored one-on-one meetings;
- C. Any communication determined to be improper, at the sole discretion of the LA DOTD, may result in the rejection of submittal, at the sole discretion of the LA DOTD;
- D. Any official information regarding the project will be disseminated from the LA DOTD'S designated representative on the LA DOTD website. Any official correspondence will be in writing;
- E. The LA DOTD will not be responsible for any verbal exchange or any other information or exchange that occurs outside the official process specified herein.

By submission of a response to this RFQ, the Consultant agrees to the communication protocol herein.

CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS

The selected Consultant will be required to execute the contract within 10 days after receipt of the contract.

INSURANCE - During the term of this contract, the Consultant will carry professional liability insurance in the amount of \$1,000,000. This insurance will be written on a "claims-made" basis. Prior to executing the contract, the Consultant will provide a Certificate of Insurance to DOTD showing evidence of such professional liability insurance.

AUDIT - The selected Consultant/Team shall provide to the DOTD Audit Section an *independent* Certified Public Accountant (CPA) audited overhead rate developed in accordance with Federal Acquisition Regulations (FAR) and guidelines provided by the DOTD Audit Section. In addition, the selected Consultant/Team will allow the DOTD Audit Section to perform an overhead audit of its books, at the DOTD's sole discretion. The performance of such an audit by the DOTD Audit Section shall not relieve the Consultant/Team of its responsibilities under this paragraph.

Consultants are also required to submit labor rate information twice a year to the DOTD's Audit Section and/or as requested by DOTD. Newly selected firms must have audited salaries and overhead rates on file with the DOTD's Audit Section before starting any additional stage/phase of their contracts. All Qualification Statements (24-102) submitted to DOTD by Consultants currently under contract may be considered non-responsive if the consultant is not in compliance with the above audit requirements.

DBE/WBE - The selected Consultant Team will have a DBE/WBE goal of 2% of the contract fee. DBE/WBE participation will be limited to the firms listed on the LA DOTD UCP DBE Directory which can be found at the following link: http://www8.dotd.la.gov/UCP/UCPSearch.aspx. The DOTD Project Manager shall review submitted invoices to determine if the DBE/WBE goals are being achieved. If the Consultant has failed to meet the goal and no good faith efforts have been made, the DOTD Project Manager shall notify the Compliance Section, and at that time the DBE/WBE portion of the Contract fee will be withheld from the Prime Consultant.

Any Consultant currently under contract with the DOTD and who failed to meet all the audit requirements documented in the manual and/or notices posted on the DOTD Consultant Contract Services Website (www.dotd.louisiana.gov), will not be considered for this project.

SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS

One original (stamped "original") and five copies of the DOTD Form 24-102 must be submitted to DOTD along with an electronic copy (USB flash drive only) in a searchable Portable Document Format (pdf). If you wish to have your flash drive returned, please include a postage paid, self-addressed envelope. All submittals must be in accordance with the requirements of this advertisement and the Consultant Contract Services Manual.

Any Consultant/Team failing to submit any of the information required on the 24-102, or providing inaccurate information on the 24-102, will be considered non-responsive.

Any Sub-Consultants to be used, including Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE), in performance of this Contract, must also submit a 24-102, which is completely filled out and contains all information pertinent to the work to be performed.

The Sub-Consultant's 24-102 must be firmly bound to the Consultant's 24-102. In Section 8, the Consultant's 24-102 must describe the work elements to be performed by the Sub-Consultant(s), and state the approximate **percentage** of each work element to be subcontracted to each Sub-Consultant.

Contract employees may be allowed for a period of time for a particular element or task on a project. Contract employees should be shown in Section 9a. Project Staffing Plan with resumes included in **Section 10**.

Use of contract employees requires prior approval by the Consultant Contract Services Section for each element or task on a project. The approval request shall be made prior to the submittal of the 24-102 form.

Name(s) of the Consultant/Team listed on the 24-102, must precisely match the name(s) filed with the Louisiana Secretary of State, Corporation Division, and the Louisiana State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors.

The DOTD Form 24-102 will be identified with Contract No. 4400009423, and will be submitted **prior to 3:00 p.m. CST** on **Thursday, September 08, 2016**, by hand delivery or mail, addressed to:

Department of Transportation and Development Attn.: Mr. Mark Chenevert, P.E. Contracts Services Administrator 1201 Capitol Access Road, Room 405-E Baton Rouge, LA 70802-4438 or

Telephone: (225) 379-1433

REVISIONS TO THE RFQ

DOTD reserves the right to revise any part of the RFQ by issuing an addendum to the RFQ at any time. Issuance of this RFQ in no way constitutes a commitment by DOTD to award a contract. DOTD reserves the right to accept or reject, in whole or part, all Qualification Statements submitted and/or cancel this announcement if it is determined to be in DOTD's best interest. All materials submitted in response to this announcement become the property of DOTD and selection or rejection of a submittal does not affect this right. DOTD also reserves the right, at its sole discretion, to waive administrative informalities contained in the RFQ.