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CONTRACT NO. 4400015261 and 4400015262 IDIQ CONTRACTS FOR NON-DESTRUCTIVE EVALUATION OF STRUCTURES STATEWIDE

Question and Answer

- Q1. The MPR's in Attachment B request that the prime have both LA PE's and ASNT Level II technicians on staff. Very few firms employ PE's with ASNT Level II certifications in the state.
- A1. See below
- Q2. We would recommend the prime consultant have a LA PE with a minimum of 5 years of experience in non-destructive testing and through the use of a sub-consultant(s) meet MPR's #3 and #4.
- A2. The ASNT Level II technicians can be met through a sub-consultant
- Q3. Under the Quality Assurance/Quality Control section it states: "If the Scope of Services provided in Attachment A includes design of one (1) or more bridges and/or component parts thereof, the prime consultant shall submit a bridge design QA/QC plan document specifically developed for this contract as part of the DOTD Form 24-102". Our interpretation of Attachment A does not include any design of "component parts thereof"; therefore, QA/QC plan *will not* be a part of the 24-102. Please confirm.
- A3. This should not be part of the 24-102. The scope does not include design of bridges or components.
- Q4. Attachment B, numbers 3 and 4 lists requirements for <u>ASNT Level II</u> <u>engineers/technicians</u> with a minimum of five (5) years of experience in non-destructive evaluation of bridge decks and two (2) years of experience of experience in non-destructive evaluation of tunnel liners, respectively. ASNT does not currently have a certification for bridge deck or tunnel liner inspection. Will <u>NDE engineers/technicians</u> with five (5) years of experience in non-destructive evaluation of bridge decks and two (2) years of experience of experience in non-destructive evaluation of tunnel liners, respectively, meet these requirements?
- A4. The contracts require ASNT Level II technician certification as well as experience testing bridge decks (5 years) and tunnel liners (2 years). These requirements can be met by more than one person.
- Q5. Will FEA modeling be a part of the load rating or structural analysis?
- A5. This could be part of a task order, but is not a requirement.

- Q6. Page 11 states "Contract and/or part-time employees are allowed". But, Attachment B states "the prime consultant must employ on a full-time basis...". Is this a discrepancy?
- A6. This is not a discrepancy or contradiction. Attachment B identifies the <u>minimum</u> personnel requirements.
- Q7. It is anticipated that some subcontractors may <u>not</u> be engineering or survey firms and will thus <u>not be required</u> to be registered in LAPELS. Please confirm.
- A7. Page 1 says "Consultants who are a Louisiana or foreign LLC or corporation should be <u>appropriately</u> registered with the Louisiana Secretary of State, as contemplated by Title 12 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes, and with the Louisiana Professional Engineering and Land Surveying (LAPELS) Board under its rules for firms." If the firm is not required to be registered with LAPELS, then it does not need to be registered.