## Delaware Department of Transportation

## QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS T201711301.02

## **US 301, TOLL INFRASTRUCTURE - readvertisement**

Wednesday, April 26, 2017

	wednesday, April 20, 2017				
<b>Q</b> #	Question	Answer			
	Other DelDOT projects listed for bid have approximately 4 weeks (28 days) between the advertisement date and the bid date, this project only has a 2 week advertisement. The pre-bid meeting was Monday 4/24/17 and only allows for approximately 1 week to solicit building subcontractors, some of which may be unfamiliar with DelDOT's procedures. We would ask that you strongly consider extending the bid date to accommodate more time between advertisement and bid opening, because of the involvement of subcontractors.	This project was previously advertised from February 27, 2017 to April 4, 2017. The bid date will not be extended.			
3	only ones included in the contract documents. How are we to handle workers performing items such as "Roofing", "Soft Floor Layers", "Sprinkler Fitters" and other trades that aren't included in the list for Highway Rates?	It has been determined that the prevailing wages for "Highway Construction" will be used for this project. Please contact the Department of Labor for further questions or concerns.			
	Thursday, April 20, 2017				
2	I wish to register as a subcontractor for this project.  I have read the RFP regarding the prequalification process and have the Prequalification form provided in the bid pack executed as well as the supporting certificate from the State of Delaware indicating that we have an approved apprenticeship program.  My question is, who or where do I send this information for review to prequalify?				

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1	(a) On drawing ST-17 for the gantries, the 2.5" OD tube w/ .25" wall was revised to 2.375" OD w/ .25" wall. This size doesn't exist.  (b) Is it possible to provide 2.375 OD w/ .218 wall (2 sch 80 pipe) instead?  (c) Is it also possible to provide 6.625 OD w/ .432 wall (6 sch 80 pipe) instead of 6" OD w/ .5" wall tube for the truss chords?	<ul><li>(a) Several companies were found through AISC search to provide the specified item.</li><li>(b) Yes, recommended size is acceptable.</li><li>(c) Yes, recommended size is acceptable.</li></ul>		
	Tuesday, April 18, 2017			
j	<ul> <li>(a) We are interested in bidding the resinous flooring on this project. I would like to get the attached product (EconoSurf ES-2425 Decorative Quartz Broadcast System) approved as an equal. The specified company, Polymerica, is no longer in business.</li> <li>(b) Also, I'm not sure if this projects gets integral epoxy cove base. There is a section in the spec about it but the finish schedule just says Painted for base.</li> </ul>	<ul><li>(a) Substitution product reviews are not being conducted prior to bid. The contractor may substitute a product during the shop drawing review for acceptance provided all described testing and submittal requirements are met.</li><li>(b) Integral epoxy cove base is to be provided.</li></ul>		
i	Do "specialty item" installers have to be prequalified for this one job?	Yes.		
h	QUESTION: Specification Section 074113 Metal Roof Panels; Page 9; Paragraph 2.8 A. 1.  "The snow guards listed in this specification are not currently third party load-to-failure tested on the metal roof manufacturers listed in Paragraph 2.6 B. 1 in the same specification section and will not meet your specification requirement for a properly engineered calculation and allow submission of the necessary Product Test Reports as required in Paragraph 1.5 H. in the same specification section. (a) Would you accept a substitution of a product that can meet these testing and submittal requirements? (b) And, what is the preferred method to submit that substitution if allowed?"	<ul> <li>a) A substitute product is acceptable if testing and submittal requirements are met.</li> <li>b) The method to submit a product substitution shall follow the 074113 Specification, Part 1, subsection 1.5 Submittals. No substitution product reviews will be conducted prior to bid.</li> </ul>		

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g	The Fire Suppression Specifications on the project (210510) do not state a particular manufacturer (i.e.: Fike, Kidde, Ansul, Janus Etc.) requirement but do go to list specific parts (panels, valves) related to one manufacturer. Was this done simply to provide a basis of design or are the systems required to be Fike? Can another manufacturer's equipment be provided as long as it's UL Listed and FM approved?	SECTION 210510 - CLEAN AGENT FIRE SUPPRESSION SYSTEM provides the basis of design, performance and quality requirements the manufacturer must meet. As stated in Part 2, subsection 2.1A (General Requirements), any single manufacturer providing all devices and equipment that are U.L Listed and/or F.M. approved are acceptable, provided they meet all other performance and quality requirements identified in the specification.
f	Does the 3% DBE percentage apply to both Toll Infrastructure (Section 0001) and Specialty Items (Section 0002) on this contract?  Is there a person at the Department of Labor I can speak with about	Yes.  Yes. The Department of Labor contact information can be found on
e	US301 qualifications?  Submission of DBE participation is now due five calendar days after	page ii, paragraph 14 of the Bid Proposal.  If the 5 <sup>th</sup> day falls on the weekend or a holiday on which the DelDOT
d	the bid opening. Since that would be a weekend when is DelDOT to receive the information?	offices are closed, the package will become due on the next day when DelDOT is open.
	1. Does the prime contractor need to submit all of his subcontractors at the time of bid?	1.No, the prime contractor and subcontractors need to submit the "Prequalification for US 301 Contracts" form and provide supporting program documentation no later than 10 a.m. local time on the date of bid opening for prequalification.
c	2. Does the prime contractor need to submit craft training certification for all of his subcontractors to be prequalified?	2. Yes, the prime contractor and subcontractors need to submit the "Prequalification for US 301 Contracts" form and provide supporting program documentation no later than 10 a.m. local time on the date of bid opening for prequalification.
	3. How can a prime contractor add subcontractors after the award if their craft training certification was not submitted at the time of the pre-qualification?	3. We will consider the addition of subcontractors after award of the Contract. Any subcontractors added will be subject to the same prequalification requirement for craft training in order to be approved for use on the Contract.
	4. What happens if a prequalified prime contractor fails to maintain a craft training program for the life of the contract?	4. Enforcement of the craft training program will be the responsibility of the Delaware DOL.

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the final decision on who we will be using will not have been made	To comply with 29 Del C. 6962(c)(11), all contractors and subcontractors with apprenticeable trades are required to have a craft training program and must be prequalified to bid on the US 301 projects.
Where can I find other information on the US 301 Project?	General Information can be found on the US 301 Project Web site: http://www.deldot.gov/information/projects/us301/
	Are we to submit all subcontractors that are under consideration, as the final decision on who we will be using will not have been made by that time?