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Attention: Prospective Proposers for Falmouth-Portland, Martin's Point Bridge Replacement Project

Subject: Falmouth-Portland, Martin's Point Bridge Design-Build Project (MaineDOT PIN 16731.00) – Responses to Questions Received on the Request for Qualifications (RFQ)

1. Is a Letter of Interest required to register for the RFQ? The website has a section for "RFQ Registration" similar to past projects that did require a letter of interest.
 - A. [No, a Letter of Interest is not required. The RFQ Registration page will be removed from the Project website.](#)
2.
 - a. Can the roles, responsibilities, and who each individual directly reports to for the positions in section 5.2.2.2.2 listed as "QCP (Quality Control Plan) Manager", "Construction Quality Control", and "Construction Quality Assurance Manager" be explained in respect to previously defined roles in the General Conditions of the most recent advertised Design-Build project (Caribou Connector-October 2010) which conflict with this RFQ?
 - b. This RFQ notes the "Quality Control Plan (QCP) Manager shall report directly to the Design Manager, while the most recent Design-Build General Conditions (October 2010) state: "The Design-Builder's Project Manager shall be responsible for all aspects of the quality of construction, including labor, equipment, materials, incidentals, processes, construction methods, and QC testing and inspection.", and "The QCP shall identify the Design-Builder's QC personnel, including the Design-Builder's Project Manager, or individual reporting to the Project Manager, responsible for administering the QCP." Does the QCP Manager report to the Design Manager or the Construction Project Manager?
 - c. This RFQ notes a position titled Construction Quality Assurance Manager, but does not note roles, responsibilities, or who this individual reports to. Is this the individual described in the most recent Design-Build General Conditions (October 2010) that manages the CQMP defined as follows: "The Design-Builder shall develop, submit for approval, implement, and adjust if necessary a Construction Quality Management Plan (CQMP) for the work specified which details all activities necessary to assure a high quality project. The CQMP shall include both a Quality Control Plan and an Acceptance Plan. . . The CQMP shall be administered by an individual that reports to the Design-Build management team and shall have sufficient authority to affect change as necessary to assure a quality project."?

d. Is there a position required on this project that is described in the most recent Design-Build General Conditions (October 2010) as: "The Design-Builder's Construction Quality Manager shall be responsible for all Acceptance activities, including Acceptance sampling and testing, inspection, rejection of nonconforming work, and documentation of Acceptance activities."?

A. The RFQ will be amended to clarify names and descriptions of the Quality-related positions in question.

3. Given the limited space in the SOQ (16 pages) to describe past similar projects including the long list of relevant information in section 5.2.2.3 of the RFQ, can an appendix be added where up to 5 single page project data sheets per "Major Participant" can be included in the SOQ?

A. No, past similar project information is not to be included in an appendix. The RFQ will be amended to increase the number of pages allowed in the SOQ to 18 one-sided or 9 two-sided sheets.

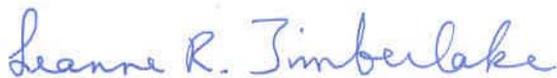
4. Does the Martin's Point Bridge have a 100 year design life requirement?

A. Rather than specifying a 100 year design life requirement, the Department intends to include specific requirements to the RFP designed to achieve a bridge with enhanced durability and a longer design life than the 75 years required by AASHTO.

5. Has MaineDOT prepared or are they planning to prepare a detailed hydrologic and hydraulic study for the river basin and project area to be released to the shortlisted DB teams prior to the proposal submission date?

A. No, the Department is not preparing a detailed hydrologic and hydraulic study for this Project.

Sincerely,



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