ADDENDUM NO. 3

January 14, 2011

TORNILLO-GUADALUPE NEW INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE
MAJOR ARTERIAL ROADWAY (PHASE 1)
PROJECT NO. 020325-1
EL PASO COUNTY, TEXAS
BID # 10-095

Bid Opening Date: January 19, 2011

The Purchasing Department received questions relating to the above referenced BID, below is the response to the following questions:

1. Q: Sheet 36 on the upper left side of the page calls out “Proposed 43.75 LF MBGF (time post) and one MBGF transition (18.75 LF).” The engineer’s quantities on the sheet do not include these two items. Are these two items included or is the callout not supposed to be there?

A: The call-out in question for 43.75 LF of MBGF and one MBGF transition at 18.75 LF is incorrect and should be ignored.

2. Q: Sheets 51B and 51C have a note in the bottom left hand corner stating the contractor is going to remove and relocate the existing power poles outside of the construction limits (approx. 6 EA). Sheet 33 (approx. 3 EA) and Sheet 41 (1 EA) state that it is the owner’s responsibility to remove and relocate the power poles. If the poles along Hwy 20 need to be moved, is it the responsibility of the contractor to relocate them? If so, please provide locations and details for the new poles.

A: The call outs on sheets 51B, 51C, 33 and 41 should all read as follows:
Existing power pole(s) to be removed and relocated by owner. Contractor to provide satisfactory advance notification to El Paso County and the owner (local utility provider) for the relocation of existing poles shown on this sheet. Exact location for relocated poles to be coordinated by the Contractor with El Paso County and the owner. Any cost for advance notification and coordination shall be subsidiary and included within the lump sum bid.
3. Q: Section 119 of the General Conditions (Page 83 and 84) describe the testing procedures to be performed by the Contractor. According to paragraph D.1, the contractor is only responsible for compaction tests. Is the contractor responsible for test performed on asphalt or concrete?

A: El Paso County will be responsible for performing all materials testing on-site for compaction, asphalt and concrete, etc. The contractor will be responsible for providing samples of materials to be utilized from off-site sources, such as embankment material, aggregates, etc. The contractor is also responsible for performing any initial testing required to document the acceptability for concrete and asphalt batch designs.

4. Q: Section 134 Time for Completion, states that work shall be substantially complete within 288 working days. Section 135, Liquidated Damages, states that the Contractor shall be liable for the sum of $1400.00 for each calendar day from above (Section 134). The unit Price form shows 16 Months of Barricades for Bid Item 502-2001. This would equate to ~488 calendar days. I cannot find a definition of a working day in the Contract Documents. Well we be charged 5 or 7 days per week? Please clarify.

A: Section 135 should read “Contractor and his Sureties shall be liable for and shall pay to the Local Public Agency the sum of $1400.00 as fixed, agreed and liquid damages for each working day from the above stipulated......”

The bid item 502-2001 for Barricades Signs and Traffic Handling is correct at 16.0 months.

The definition for working days shall be as follow:

Working Days will be charged Monday through Friday, excluding national or state holidays, if weather or other conditions permit the performance of the principal unit of work underway, as determined by El Paso County, for a continuous period of at least 7 hours between 7:00 A.M. and 6:00 P.M. The Contractor has the option of working on Saturdays or state holidays. Work on Sundays and national holidays will not be permitted without written permission of El Paso County. If work requiring an Inspector or materials testing technician to be present is performed on a Saturday, Sunday or holiday, a working day will be charged, and any overtime charges of the Inspector or materials testing technician will be reimbursed by the Contractor to El Paso County.

5. Q: Is the entire bid specifications book to be copied in duplicate and turned in? If not what are the required forms to be turned in – in duplicate?

A: At a minimum all bidders should submit the required number of copies of pages 11 through 32 from the project bid book. Bidders should also refer to page 33, “Solicitation Checklist” to confirm no other documents are required.
NOTE: BIDDERS ARE REQUIRED TO INDICATE THEIR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THIS ADDENDUM IN THE APPROPRIATE LOCATION ON THE BID PROPOSAL FORM.

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