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DATE: July 17, 2013

TO: All Prospective Bidders

SUBJECT: Response to Bidder's Inquiry No. 1
U.S. 50 Silva Valley Interchange Project Phase 1
Contract No. PW 12-30647, CIP No.71328

ITEM NO.	LOCATION, PAGE OR DRAWING NO.	QUESTION/ANSWER
1.01.		<p>Question: Will the County post the plans on its website?</p> <p>Answer: Yes. Since the County is only providing half-size sets of plans, the plans have been posted to allow bidders the option of having full-size sets produced. However as stated in the Notice to Bidders, only Contract Documents books and project Plans purchased from the Transportation Division will be acceptable for bid submittal.</p>
1.02.		<p>Question: Will the County of El Dorado CDA make an excel copy of the bid items available on your website for all bidders? This project has 207 bid items, it would be greatly appreciated to have the excel file so we can import directly into our estimating software programs and not have to type and enter all 207 line items.</p> <p>Answer: No.</p>
1.03.		<p>Question: Notice to Bidders Page N-4, DBE Participation: Is there an established DBE goal for this project?</p> <p>Answer: Since the project is not funded with Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) funds, there is no DBE goal for the project.</p>

1.04.	N-1 of the Notice to Bidders, SP-5 of the special provisions, and P-1 of the Proposal	<p>Question: What is the intent of having the bidders submit the entire bound contract book for the bid? The actual proposal/bid forms currently consist of 18 pages. Please clarify the need to submit the entire bound book at bid time.</p> <p>Answer: Submittal of the entire bound spec book with the bid signifies that the bidder was in possession of and fully understands all of the information provided by the County with which to prepare its bid.</p>
1.05.	Agreement Pages C-12 through C-17 and Proposal Pages P-3 through P-8	<p>Question: The bid item pages appear crowded. There is minimal writing space for the unit prices and the total column appears to be cut off on the pages. Also, the current row height does not allow for any last minute pricing changes or interlineations and initialing of those potential changes. Caltrans standard bid forms contain only 20 items per page to allow for clear and legible completion of bid forms. I have taken the liberty of attaching current Caltrans bid item forms for your review. This particular Caltrans project bids on Wednesday in Sacramento. I do recognize that the Caltrans format would create a few more bid form pages for your bid submittal, but I also recognize that this format would eliminate your staff trying to decipher someone's hand writing and/or potential bid pricing errors/mistakes.</p> <p>Answer: The Transportation Division will consider your request if and when we issue an addendum.</p>

Holders who have already mailed their proposal can contact Janel Gifford at (email: janel.gifford@edcgov.us) to arrange return of their proposal.

Inform all suppliers and subcontractors as necessary.

The DOT is only sending this Response to Bidders' Inquiries by posting on the following website: <http://www.edcgov.us/Government/DOT/Bids.aspx>.

Responses to bidder inquiries, unless incorporated into formal addenda to the contract, are not a part of the contract, and are provided for the bidder's convenience only. In some instances, the question and answer may represent a summary of the matters discussed rather than a word-for-word recitation. The availability or use of information provided in the responses to bidder inquiries is not to be construed in any way as a waiver of the provisions of Section 2-1.30, "Job Site and Document Examination," of the Standard Specifications or any other provision of the contract, the plans, Standard Specifications, or special provisions, nor to excuse the contractor from full compliance with those contract requirements. Bidders are cautioned that subsequent responses or contract addenda may affect or vary a response previously given.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Janel Gifford". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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