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Subject: **South Thomaston**
Federal Project No. BR-1674(500)S
State Pin No.016745.00
Amendment No. 2

DAVID A. COLE
COMMISSIONER

Dear Sir/Ms:

Make the following changes to the Bid Documents:

In the Bid Book (page 1), "NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS" **CHANGE** the bid opening date from July 15, 2009 to read **July 22, 2009**. Make this change in pen and ink.

In the Bid Book (page 49) "SPECIAL PROVISION, SECTION 107, TIME", **CHANGE** both instances of "May 30, 2010" to read "**June 15, 2010**". Make this change in pen and ink.

The following questions have been received:

Question: What are the limits of bridge removal?

Response: The existing bridge structure shall be removed to one foot below finished grade.

Question: Because of the difficulty in finding a subcontractor who wants to come to South Thomaston to install drilled caissons, we request that the bid opening be postponed at least one week.

Response: Bid opening is postponed to July 22, 2009

Question: Will rock fill be allowed for the temporary detour causeway?

Response: No fill may be placed outside the existing or proposed toes of slope.

Question: The completion date (6-30-10) seems unattainable. The water work window (11-8 to 4-9) restricts the start of the temporary detour to 11-8. Construction of the temporary and permanent structures continues through winter, but paving is installed after May 1. The temporary detour removal and completion of the west slopes cannot be worked until 11-8-10.

Response: The installation and removal of piles less than 24 inch diameter is considered exempt and may take place outside of the prescribed work window. The Department is currently seeking agency approval to extend the period of allowed in-water work as well.

Consider these changes and information prior to submitting your bid on **July 22, 2009**.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Scott Bickford". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Scott" being more prominent and the last name "Bickford" following in a similar style.

Scott Bickford
Contracts & Specifications Engineer