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January 19, 2007  
Subject: **Old Town**  
Project Number: BR-1266(100)X  
PIN: 12661.00  
**Bid Amendment No. 3**

Dear Sir/Ms.:

Please make the following change to the Bid Documents:

Delete "Special Provision Section 105 General Scope of Work" dated December 11, 2006, one page total, and replace with the attached "Special Provision Section 105 General Scope of Work" dated January 19, 2007, one page total.

Add the attached one page entitled "Special Provision Section 107 Time", dated January 19, 2007.

The Department has received the following questions:

**Question:** Can the contractor work 24hrs/day, 7 days/week?

**Answer:** *The contractor will be allowed to work on Sundays during the 45 day closure. See the new Special Provision 107, "Time" added to the contract. The Department does not have a regulation on how many hours per day worked; however, the contractor shall adhere to any local ordinances.*

**Question:** "Special Provision 502 Structural Concrete QC/QA, None of the item numbers shown in the chart correspond with any of the bid items."

**Answer:** *Follow the instructions on the Amendment #2 to the Bid Documents dated January 8, 2007. Specifically, remove the original Special Provision 502 Structural Concrete QC/QA and replace it with the QC/QA Special Provision included in Amendment #2, also dated January 8<sup>th</sup>.*



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**Question:** Please clarify the directions. Are these directions for the contractor or the designer?

**Answer:** *All of the original QC/QA Special Provision is superceded by the version written on January 8<sup>th</sup> including any "directions". If any other "directions" are ambiguous, please be more specific in the question.*

**Question:** Re: Special Provision 105 "Use of Roads as Detours". "The Contractor shall obtain written permission from the towns . . . Is it a guarantee that the towns will grant said permission?"

**Answer:** *The Department will obtained permission to use the town roads. This responsibility for permission is no longer the responsibility of the Contractor. See the attached revision to Special Provision 105 "Use of Roads as Detours".*

**Question:** What type of grout is required for the P.T. bars? Are there details of specifications relative to the grouting?

**Answer:** *As specified in the Special Provision, Section 534 dated November 30, 2006, the "Grout for post-tensioning ducts shall be either **Five Star Special Grout 400** or **Masterflow 1205**." Please see subsection 534.27.*

**Question:** Can the contractor use a detail at the piers similar to that shown at the abutments to support the precast units?

**Answer:** *The work and details to support the pier precast units are more complex than those for supporting the abutment units. The abutment unit support detail would be placed on uncoated H-piles and buried. The outer pier piles are double coated for corrosion protection and any supports for precast units would be visible. If the Resident allows attaching supports to the pipe piles, they must be entirely removed and the area of damage coatings repaired to the Resident's satisfaction, at the Contractor's expense.*

**Question:** Special Provision Section 534.07 Inspection: Is the Quality Control Inspector required to be an employee of the contractor or a consultant engaged by the contractor?

**Answer:** *Presumably more than one Quality Control Inspector will be required for the project. One exceptional item is #501.239 Dynamic Loading Test – Providing For. Please refer to the Special Provision for Section 501, Dynamic Loading Test. In this one case the tester will be specifically a Departmental employee and the Contractor must provide adequate access. For all other Work, the provisions of Section 106 Quality apply. Note in particular from Subsection 106.3.7 Sampling and Testing the following requirements, "Qualified Departmental personnel may take samples for Acceptance Testing."; and "The Contractor shall perform all necessary QC inspection, sampling, and testing in accordance with the approved QCP. If a QCP is not required, the Contractor is still responsible for all*

*QC necessary for a high quality project. The Contractor shall not rely on the results of the Department's Acceptance Testing being available for process QC."*

**Question:** Is the HP12x53 abutment support shown of sheet 14 continuous the entire length of the abutment?

**Answer:** *Other means of supporting the abutment precast sections may be proposed by the Contractor for the Resident's approval. All costs for supporting the precast units in place until the void concrete is properly cured are the Contractor's responsibility. The stability of the support is the Contractor's responsibility.*

**Question:** How are the abutment supports shown on sheet 14 paid?

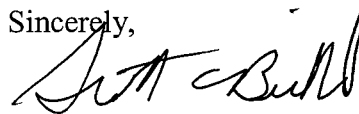
**Answer:** *All temporary supports, whether allowed to remain as part of the structure or not, are incidental to the Contract. If the Contractor chooses, and does not damage the permanent structure in any way, the Contractor may remove the HPx12's and the 3x3 angles.*

**Question:** On sheet 23 what do the letters P.E.J.F. stand for and how is it paid?

**Answer:** *The material is Preformed Expansion Joint Filler. Please refer to the Standard Specifications, Section 705.01 Preformed Expansion Joint Filler. P.E.J.F. is incidental to Item 534.7601 Precast Approach Slabs.*

Consider these changes and information prior to submitting your bid on January 24, 2007.

Sincerely,



Scott Bickford

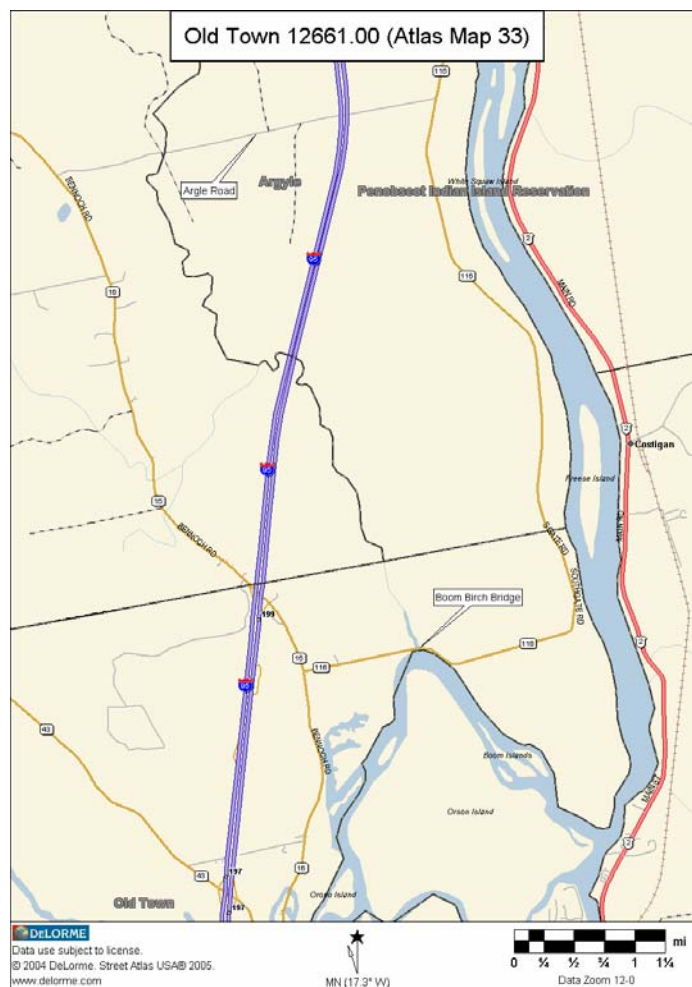
Contracts & Specifications Engineer

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**SPECIAL PROVISION**  
**SECTION 105**  
**GENERAL SCOPE OF WORK**

(USE OF ROADS AS DETOURS)

The Contractor shall detour all Boom Birch Bridge traffic through Route 16, the Alton-Argyle Road, and Route 116 along the westerly bank of the Penobscot River. The maximum detour length is estimated as 14 miles.



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**SPECIAL PROVISION**  
**SECTION 107**

**TIME**

Sunday work will be allowed during the 45 day road closure.