



STATE OF MAINE
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
16 STATE HOUSE STATION
AUGUSTA, MAINE
04333-0016

JOHN ELIAS BALDACCI
GOVERNOR

DAVID A. COLE
COMMISSIONER

January 3, 2011
Subject: **Brooksville,
Callahan Mine**
Federal Project No: 12521.08
State Pin No: 012521.08
Amendment No. 7

Dear Sir/Ms:

The following questions have been received:

Question: In the Specifications it states that the topsoil would need to have a 6% organic content to be acceptable. This is unusual to find naturally occurring. On previous Superfund projects this requirement has been modified to "locally available" and not a specific organic content. Would this be acceptable for this project? Or does the Contractor have to assume that compost will have to be mixed with the local topsoil to meet project requirements?

Response: Bidder should assume that a 6% organic content is required based on the Project Specifications. Other soil amendments are available and thus the method of achieving a 6% organic content would be at the contractor's discretion contingent upon regulatory approval.

Question: Sheet C8 – Shows a conceptual Plunge Pool. The drawings do not indicate any location or quantities for this item to be installed. Please clarify.

Response: The plunge pool is conceptual. At this time there is no location or quantities proposed. However, Bidder should assume that if a plunge pool is required the mechanism for doing so would be through a Change Order and the typical detail shown would be used. In accordance with Technical Specification Section 01 3300, the contractor will be responsible for preparing the plans and drawings that outline the erosion and sedimentation control and storm water management approach.

Question: Sheet C8 – Shows a typical culvert opening. The drawings do not indicate any location or quantities for this item to be installed. Please clarify.

Response: Similarly to the question above, no culvert is currently proposed but provisions are included if a culvert becomes necessary. In accordance with Technical Specification Section 01 3300, the contractor will be responsible for preparing the plans



PRINTED ON RECYCLED PAPER

and drawings that outline the erosion and sedimentation control and storm water management approach.

Consider this information prior to submitting your bid on **January 5, 2011**.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Scott Bickford". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'S'.

Scott Bickford
Contracts & Specifications Engineer