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July 14, 2026
Subject: Spaulding Brook Bridge
Rehabilitation and Thorne Brook
Bridge Rehabilitation
WIN:023126.00, 026444.00
Location: Augusta
Amendment No. 1

Dear Sir/Ms.:

In the contract bid book:

CHANGE on page 14 "NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS", the bid opening date in the first paragraph from "July 15, 2026" to "July 22, 2026". Make this change in pen and ink.

The following questions have been received:

Question: Would SAPL via Geopolymer per ASTM F3706 and applicable MDOT specs - with proper curtain-wall Injection Grouting as Prep - be an acceptable equal or better alternative to Sliplining per Section 509?

This approach would provide the following advantages:

- Longer expected service life (50-100 years)
- Shorter duration of construction
- Smaller footprint during construction
- Reduced cost of project
- Less capacity reduction (preserve more existing capacity)

Response: After the Contract is Awarded, the Contractor may submit a Value Engineering Change Proposal (VECP) for Department evaluation of this product in accordance with MaineDOT Standard Specifications section 109.6.

Question: Is Channeline an acceptable alternative to the metal plate liners specified under Section 509?

If so, can the cofferdamming requirements be reduced in accordance with manufacturer's specification and recommendation? Installation of that product does not require as much damming and dewatering as the specifications require.

Response: After the Contract is Awarded, the Contractor may submit a Value Engineering Change Proposal (VECP) for Department evaluation of this product in accordance with MaineDOT Standard Specifications section 109.6

Question: The bid documents refer to both GRP & Steel Structural Pipe. Please clarify which material will be required.

Response: Additional environmental coordination is pending. A future amendment prior to bid opening is likely to include steel structural plate pipe arch only.

Question: The Final Plans document shows 'structural steel' as the liner and the Contract Bid Book & the Army Corp permit show 'Glass Reinforced Plastic Pipe'. What is the appropriate liner material to quote?

Response: Additional environmental coordination is pending. A future amendment prior to bid opening is likely to include steel structural plate pipe arch only.

Question: If Glass Reinforced Plastic Pipe, do you want such a short rise (y-axis) dimension or do you want something closer to the 6' rise of the other liner that is specified?

Response: Additional environmental coordination is pending. A future amendment prior to bid opening is likely to include steel structural plate pipe arch only.

Consider these changes and information prior to submitting your bid on **July 22, 2026**.

Sincerely,



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