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November 30, 2023  
Subject: Bridge Deck Replacement  
State WIN: 025631.01  
Location: **Medway**  
**Amendment No. 7**

Dear Sir/Ms.:

The following questions have been received:

**Question:** Hot dip galvanizing is performed in accordance with ASTM A123 / AASHTO M111 Specification for Zinc (Hot-Dip Galvanized) Coatings on Iron and Steel Products. To prepare the surface for galvanizing a multi-step pretreatment process is used to ensure proper metallurgical bond between the steel and zinc. Is this galvanizing pretreatment process suitable in lieu of the "abrasive blast-clean to a minimum SSPC-SP6, Commercial Blast Cleaning (SP6) prior to galvanizing" as specified in 506.21?

**Response:** Yes, this galvanizing pretreatment process is suitable in lieu of the "abrasive blast-clean to a minimum SSPC-SP6, Commercial Blast Cleaning (SP6) prior to galvanizing" as specified in 506.21.

Consider these changes and information prior to submitting your bid on **December 6, 2023**.

Sincerely,

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