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April 30, 2020  
Subject: Prequalification for On Call  
Railroad Maintenance  
State WIN: PH20200415RM  
Location: **Statewide**  
**Amendment No. 2**

Dear Sir/Ms.:

The following questions have been received:

**Question:** Are all mobilization costs to be included in the equipment, labor, etc. rates or is there a separate line items for mobilization?

**Response:** Mobilization costs must be included in the rates. These on-call projects tend to be smaller in scale and do not usually have significant costs in mobilization alone.

**Question:** Is all work related to this contract(s) on an emergency need basis only or is there scheduled maintenance work included in this contract that would not require a 3 hour response time?

**Response:** A large portion of this on-call work is not emergency work and does not require a 3-hour response time. If you do not wish to be considered for emergency work, please provide a note on the application.

**Question:** Can the Prequalification Application be included in the bid package or do I need to submit it before I submit the bid package?

**Response:** The application should be submitted with the bid package.

**Question:** What is the TEDDOCS# for this project?

**Response:** A Tedocs number will be assigned once the contract is awarded.

**Question:** What is the CTM# for this project?

**Response:** A contract number will be assigned once the contract is awarded.

**Question:** Because of the COVID 19 virus will the bid date still be May 6, 2020 or will it be extended?

**Response:** Bid openings are still occurring during the pandemic and the deadline will not be extended. They can be viewed online at: <https://www.maine.gov/mdot/contractors/bidopenings/>.

**Question:** Why is Hi Rail equipment not required for said work?

**Response:** Much of the work under this contract does require hi-rail equipment, but some railroad facilities do not require hi-rail equipment for maintenance. For example, the underside of railroad bridges over roads (railroad overpasses) can generally be accessed from the roadway. Crossing maintenance is another example of work that can be done without hi-rail equipment.

**Question:** Is all railroad material furnished by DOT? If so where is location?

**Response:** While there are some exceptions, material is generally furnished by the contractor. Please provide material rates in the relevant section. The location of material varies on a case-by-case basis. For example, railroad ties may be placed at intervals along the track or materials may be stored at various rail yards across the state.

Consider these changes and information prior to submitting your bid on **May 6, 2020**.

Sincerely,



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