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February 23, 2024
Subject: Passenger Ferry Vessel
and Operator
State WIN: PH20240207BHF
Location: **Tremont to Frenchboro**
Amendment No. 1

Dear Sir/Ms:

The Bid Opening date for this contract has been changed to **March 6, 2024**. Any Bidders that have previously submitted Bids may choose **to** revise or **not to** revise their Bids. If the Bidder chooses to revise their Bid, they must resubmit a complete Bid Package including all other documents required. Upon request, the Bidder will have the original Bid returned to them otherwise it will be discarded. The Bid Package with the latest (newest) date shall replace all previously submitted packages.

Bids will be accepted on either the Schedule of Items contained in the original Bid Book or the one contained in this amendment. However, the actual accepted bid and original contract amount will be calculated based on the quantities in the attached, revised Schedule of Items.

Please make the following changes to the Bid Documents:

In the Bid Book:

CHANGE on page 11, in the “**NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS**”, the bid opening date in the first paragraph from “February 28, 2024” to read “**March 6, 2024**”. Make this change in pen and ink.

REMOVE pages 24 & 25, “**APPENDIX A, SPECIAL PROVISIONS, REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL AND SPECIFICATIONS OF WORK TO BE PERFORMED**”, pages 1 & 2, and **REPLACE** with the attached revised “**APPENDIX A, SPECIAL PROVISIONS, REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL AND SPECIFICATIONS OF WORK TO BE PERFORMED**”, 2 pages, dated February 23, 2024.

The following questions have been received:

Question: We have been executing this contract for years. In the past it has always run Fridays, April through November. The dates on the bid form (April 7th-Nov 24) do not include the first friday in April (April 5th) which would be our usual start date and Nov 29th which would be the usual last trip. Is this a mistake or typo with the dates or is this contract for 2 fewer Fridays than have been included since we have been running this trip.

Response: The sailing dates for 2024 have been revised to April 5, 2024- November 29, 2024. See the attached, revised Sailing Schedule.

Question: Also how would we propose/suggest a change to the schedule eliminating the time change in November's schedule as it is not necessary and confusing to change the schedule for the last few trips of the season.

Response: The sailing times for 2024 have been revised to eliminate the change in the November schedule. See the attached, revised Sailing Schedule.

Consider these changes and information prior to submitting your bid on **March 6, 2024**.

Sincerely,



George M. A. Macdougall P.E.
Contracts & Specifications Engineer



**APPENDIX A
 SPECIAL PROVISIONS
 REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL AND
 SPECIFICATIONS OF WORK TO BE PERFORMED**

Contractor _____

SCHEDULE OF ITEMS

- The Bid must be Delivered to the precise location and by the precise time set forth in the Notice to Contractors or any applicable Bid Amendment.
- Required unit prices, lump sum prices and/or bid amounts must be provided and legible.
- Do not make handwritten changes to the bid documents.

Item	Approximate Quantity Round Trips per year	Bid Price \$ per Round Trip	Bid Amount for 2024
Charter Rate per round trip for the Operation of Vessel Year (2024)	70	\$ _____ X 70 =	\$

COMPUTATION OF TOTAL BID AMOUNT*		
TOTAL BID AMOUNT FOR 2024		\$
TOTAL BID AMOUNT FOR 2025	Total 2024 x 1.02 =	\$
TOTAL BID AMOUNT FOR 2024-2025		\$

*See Appendix A, II Measurement and Payment

The MaineDOT estimates the need to be 70 trips during 8 months between **April 5, 2024, and November 29, 2024**, and each year following.

By signing below, the Bidder (1) represents that the Bidder has examined the Contract Agreement contained in the Bid Documents, the Contract, all documents referenced in said Contract, and the site and scope of work, (2) does hereby bid and offer to enter into this contract to construct and/or perform the Work in strict accordance with the terms and conditions of this Contract at the unit prices bid in the attached "Schedule of Items", (3) represents that the Bidder has given the Department notice of any errors or ambiguities related to the documents or the work that have been discovered by the Bidder, (4) represents that the above-named organization is the legal entity entering into the resulting contract with the Department if they are awarded the contract and, (5) represents that the undersigned is authorized to enter contractual obligations on behalf of the above-named organization.

Bidder acknowledges that the properly completed and signed Schedule of Items provided with the Bid constitutes the Bidder's offer and that this offer shall remain open for 30 calendar days after the date of opening of bids.

The Bidder hereby certifies, to the best of its knowledge and belief that: the Bidder has not, either directly or indirectly, entered into any agreement, participated in any collusion, or otherwise taken any action in restraint of competitive bidding in connection with its bid, and its subsequent contract with the Department.

Use pen and ink to complete paper bids. Signatures shall be original. Stamped and copied signatures will not be accepted.

Signature _____ *Date*

 (Print Bidder's Name and Title)

SAILING SCHEDULE
PASSENGER FERRY VESSEL AND OPERATOR
BASS HARBOR TO FRENCHBORO
PASSENGER-ONLY CHARTER

FRIDAY ONLY	FRIDAY ONLY
Depart Bass Harbor	Depart Frenchboro
April 5, 2024, thru November 29, 2024	April 5, 2024, thru November 29, 2024
8:00 a.m.	9:00 a. m.
5:00 p.m.	6:00 p.m.

April thru November 2025 (Dates to be determined)
April thru November 2026 (Dates to be determined)
April thru November 2027(Dates to be determined)
April thru November 2028 (Dates to be determined)

Daily charter rate per round trip for the operation of Vessel

Five (5 year) X Seventy (70 round trips) X Daily Charter Rate= Total Contract amount.

NOTE: The sailing Schedule is subject to change based on the MaineDOT & Maine State Ferry Service operational requirements. Rates will be paid for all days the vessel is scheduled to be in operation regardless if a trip is cancelled due to inclement weather.

ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT & UNDERSTANDING:

SIGNATURE: _____
(Signature of Legally Authorized Representative of Bidder)

PRINT NAME: _____

TITLE: _____

CONTRACTOR: _____