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May 15, 2025  
Subject: Penobscot Observatory  
WIN: PH20250430PNEL  
Location: **Prospect**  
**Amendment No. 1**

Dear Sir/Ms.:

The following questions have been received:

**Question:** Would you please confirm the maintenance scope of work to be included in the Monthly Inspection, Maintenance, and Lubrication Line item. Appendix A / Page 11 of 22 appears to suggest the contractor to provide maintenance and repair services including all Inspections, adjustment, tests, and parts replacement for the elevator and vertical lift.

**Response:** The rate for Monthly Inspection, Maintenance, and Lubrication is intended to include only inspections, adjustments, tests, parts, and labor required for the routine Work described in Tables 1 and 2. The paragraph on page 11 of Appendix A states:

“The Contractor shall provide maintenance and repair services including all inspections, adjustments, tests, and parts replacement, for the elevator and vertical platform lift at Penobscot Narrows Observatory. The Contractor shall furnish all material, labor, supervision, tools, supplies and equipment to provide maintenance and repair services for the equipment, to include all inspections, adjustments, tests, and parts replacement, regardless of the age of units, to ensure continuous use at their established capacity and efficiency for their intended purpose.”

The intent of this introduction paragraph is to describe the Scope and Specifications of the Work in a broad sense, not define under which Bid Item services are to be paid under. The heading directly under this begins the section relating to the Monthly Inspection, Maintenance, and Lubrication Bid Item.

Measurement and Payment is defined on Page 20 of Appendix A. Non-routine maintenance work including replacement of elevator control boards or sheaves, for example, are billable under the defined parts markup and the labor rate bid.

Consider these changes and information prior to submitting your bid on **May 21, 2025.**

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "George Macdougall". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "George" and last name "Macdougall" clearly legible.

George M. A. Macdougall P.E.  
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