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The Bidders' inquiries and Responses may be updated from time to time and bidders are enjoined to check the website regularly and immediately prior to the scheduled bid opening.

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**All inquiries must include the contract number.**

08-0M9904	
Inquiry No.	Inquiry/Response
1.0	<p>Question_1: Plan sheet "Q-1," "Summary of Quantities," specifically "Replace Asphalt Concrete Surfacing" table. Are any (or all) of the repair areas of the "L," "C," and "R" wheel paths adjacent to each other creating an area greater than 4' in width? Or, are all areas designated for removal not adjacent to other removal areas maintaining a 4' wide removal section only?</p> <p><b>Response: The majority of digouts will be "L" and "R".</b></p>
2.0	<p>Question_2: Pg. 13, "Protection Measures," #7, states "A qualified biologist shall be available to monitor the project, as necessary, throughout the duration of the project." Does the Engineer (Caltrans) supply this "qualified biologist" or does the contract provide this biologist for the duration of the work activities?</p> <p><b>Response: Caltrans will provide the qualified biologist for training purposes and monitoring of biological resources.</b></p>
3.0	<p>Special_Provisions_Specific: The work shall consist of preparing the pavement surface ,applying the asphalt emulsion and scrubbing the applied emulsion with a scrub broom, applying aggregate, brooming the aggregate with an aggregate broom.</p> <p>Question_3: This is not a question. It is fact. My 35 years of doing chip seals for the State of California and Cities and Counties. You cannot scrub seal using PMCRS-2H. You can use PASS CR or Straflux emulsions. The use of an aggregate broom on 3/8 chip will not work also as the broom will roll over the 3/8 chip. Then the emulsion will be face up instead of face down.</p> <p><b>Response: Please bid Accordingly.</b></p>
4.0	<p>Question_4: The PMCRS-2h material will not work for scrub seal applications. The product will break and build up on the scrub broom causing a huge mess.</p>

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5.0	Question_5: Is this an experimental project? The reason for my inquiry is that scrub seals utilize a rejuvenating emulsion (PASS or Styraflex) and use a 5/16" or smaller Aggregate.  <b>Response: Please bid Accordingly.</b>
6.0	Question_6: Will the State accept the responsibility for the failure of the chip seal if the Contractor bids and applies the material as specified?  <b>Response: Pending.</b>