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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.

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| Inquiry No. | Inquiry/Response |
| 1.0 | <p>Question_1: The Liquidated Damages is completely left out of the specified section and is not referenced any place else. This information is required when requesting a bidder's bond.</p> <p>Response: The liquidated damages are part of the amendment section of the Special Provisions book. Please refer to page 76 of 214 of the amendment section.</p> |
| 2.0 | <p>Question_2: Specifications Section 4, page 8, "Beginning of Work, Time of Completion, and Liquidated Damages". The section does not say how much the Liquidated Damages are. Please clarify.</p> <p>Response: Calculation for liquidated damages is shown in the amendment. (See answer to Question # 1)</p> |
| 3.0 | <p>Question_3: What is the tentative starting date for this project?</p> <p>Response: Please refer to section 4 of the Special Provisions "BEGINNING OF WORK, TIME OF COMPLETION, AND LIQUIDATED DAMAGES".</p> |
| 4.0 | <p>Special_Provisions_Specific: Per Section 5-1.13, the Contractor shall notify the air pollution control district or air quality management district identified (South Coast AQMD) as required by the National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAP) at 40 CFR Part 61, Subpart M, and California Health and Safety Code section 39658(b)(1).</p> <p>Question_4: Does the Department expect the presence of asbestos in the existing bridge?</p> <p>Response: The asbestos and lead based paint survey report did not detect either product on the Palo Verde Bridge (see report). Notification to the regional air quality management district is <u>mandatory for all demolitions</u>. Notification must be provided to the AQMD at least 10 days prior to <u>demolition of the bridge</u>.</p> |

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| 4.1 | <p>Question_4.1: It is our understanding that the State of California Department of Transportation will be listed as the generator of any hazardous material. Will a change order be issued for the removal and disposal of any hazardous material? **except for yellow thermo (LCP)**</p> <p>Response: If there is any unexpected removal of hazardous waste Caltrans is the generator and will require a change order for removal and disposal. The yellow stripe is considered non-hazardous if removed with the cold plane operation.</p> |
| 5.0 | <p>Question_5: Please verify that a Joint Seal is required between the bridge and the asphalt roadway.</p> <p>Response: Potential Bidders are to bid per the current contract documents.</p> |
| 6.0 | <p>Question_6: Western Structures is bidding on the above referenced project and there is a 7% UDBE Contract Goal. There is nowhere that I can find to Query for UDBE's on your website. Could you please tell me how to find UDBE's to contact for invitations to bid? Will the use of DBE's be of any advantage? I look forward to hearing from you by reply soon. Thank you for your assistance.</p> <p>Response: Bidders may go to http://dot.ca.gov/hq/bep/find_certified.htm, to conduct a search for UDBEs. The site is listed as a DBE database. Once in the database bidders should select the following gender or ethnic categories: female, African American, Asian Pacific, and Native American. At present, these are the four categories that are UDBEs.</p> |
| 7.0 | <p>Question_7: Will the Palo Verde Irrigation District shut off the water in the channel to allow for the installation of the temporary water diversion system? And if so, for what length of time?</p> <p>Response: No. The Irrigation District does not have the means to do so</p> |
| 8.0 | <p>Question_8: Based on field observations there is a Verizon communication line running through the bridge that is to be demolished. Will this line be taken out of service or must it somehow be protected in place, and if so under what bid item is this to be paid for?</p> <p>Response: Verizon completed a temporary relocation of the line on May 10 onto nearby poles. Once the bridge is replaced, Verizon will relocate the line into a conduit in the new structure.</p> |
| 9.0 | <p>Question_9: In reference to the pilings, can we use a larger steel casing than is shown on the plans? If this is acceptable, can the reinforcement as shown on plans be used in this larger casing? And specify if casing material must be new, or is used material acceptable?</p> <p>Response: The potential Bidders are to bid per the current contract documents.</p> |
| 10.0 | <p>Question_10: In reference to the casing installation, can the steel casing be driven into the ground without the alternative tip as shown, and then cleaned out (by drilling) to achieve the same result.</p> |

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| | Response: No, the Potential Bidders are to bid per the current contract documents. |
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