The responses to bidders' inquiries are provided for the bidders' convenience only. In some instances, the question and answer may represent a summary of the matters discussed rather than a word-for-word recitation. The responses may be considered along with all other information furnished to prospective bidders for the purpose of bidding on the project. The availability or use of information provided in the responses to contractors' inquiries is not to be construed in any way as a waiver of the provisions of Section 2-1.03 of the Standard Specifications or any other provision of the contract, the plans, Standard Specifications or Special Provisions, nor to excuse the contractor from full compliance with those contract requirements. Bidders are cautioned that subsequent responses or contract addenda may affect or vary a response previously given. Inquiries along with responses may be posted at the website only when the inquiries are submitted in any of the acceptable manner prescribed under the Notice to the Contractors and when the responses have already been communicated to the individual inquirers. Bidders' inquiries received over the phone must be followed-up and submitted in writing for an official response.

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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Inquiry No.	Inquiry/Response
1.0	Question_1: What is the required number of sealing elements in the modular expansion joint in the area beyond the 60 degree dogleg at Abutment 1? Response: Pending
2.0	Question_2: When will the cross sections be available for our use? Response: Cross sections for this project are now available. If interested, please contact the above listed number.
3.0	Question_3: When will the Materials Information handout (geotechinal design report) be available for our use? Response: Pending
4.0	Question_4: I obtained the cross sections on CD. It is divided into 4 parts or files. In Part 2 the sections are typically given on 10 ft stations except for two situations: Between sheet 30 and 31 there is a 285 ft gap in stations. Between sheet 33 and 34 there is a 180 ft gap in stations. Are there any cross sections available for the stations in these gaps? Response: Response: The missing Cross Sections listed above are now available. If you obtained the original disc and need the missing parts, please contact the number listed on this posting to obtain a copy.
5.0	Question_5: Is the Pile Length L given in the PIER COLUMNS (MINED SHAFT) DATA correct? Response: Pending
6.0	Question_6: I didn't see any survey stakes at the job and could not determine where the piers shaft excavations will start in the canyon, which is characterized by widely differing ground conditions ranging from running soils and nested boulders to rock outcroppings.

	While the Specials state that 0 to 15 feet of deposits overlie the pier column locations, can the locations where the pier shaft meet the OG be staked in the field, so my bid can reflect actual field conditions? Response: Pending
7.0	Question_7: the use of this specification denies other contractors that do not have mobile mixer(specialty equipment)with the ability to perform this item. Current specifications allow for the use of (quote): Polyester concrete shall be mixed in mechanically operated mixers. Mixer size shall be limited to a 0.25-cubic meter capacity, unless approved by the Engineer. A continuous mixer, employing an auger screw/chute device, may be approved for use by the Engineer upon demonstrating its ability to produce a satisfactory product. Response: Pending
8.0	Question_8: Due to other significant Caltrans projects bidding simultaneously and near the same date; we request the bid date be postponed a minimum of 3 weeks to December 11, 2008. Response: Not possible. The District will be notified of failing on delivery for this project if the schedule is delayed in any manner. Also, There are environmental mitigation efforts that need to be dealt with prior to March 1st for the nesting of the bald eagle. If the project is delayed it could cause an entire season delay!