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

08-227004	
Inquiry No.	Inquiry/Response
1.0	<p>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?</p> <p><b>Response: Pending</b></p>
2.0	<p>Question_2: When will the cross sections be available for our use?</p> <p><b>Response: Cross sections for this project are now available. If interested, please contact the above listed number.</b></p>
3.0	<p>Question_3: When will the Materials Information handout (geotechnical design report) be available for our use?</p> <p><b>Response: Pending</b></p>
4.0	<p>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?</p> <p><b>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.</b></p>
5.0	<p>Question_5: Is the Pile Length L given in the PIER COLUMNS (MINED SHAFT) DATA correct?</p> <p><b>Response: Pending</b></p>
6.0	<p>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.</p>

	<p>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?</p> <p><b>Response: Pending</b></p>
7.0	<p>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.</p> <p><b>Response: Contractor to bid per current contract documents.</b></p>
8.0	<p>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.</p> <p><b>Response: Not possible.</b>  <b>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!</b></p>
9.0	<p>Question_9: Please verify Arch "A" Soffit geometry on drawing sheet 171 of 280.</p> <p><b>Response: Pending</b></p>
10.0	<p>Question_10.0: Question_2: Please verify arch geometry table on drawing sheet 172 of 280; specifically the top of arch elevation at point 34.</p> <p><b>Response: Pending</b></p>
11.0	<p>Question_11.0:Where will construction joints be allowed when viewing the typical section of the arch?</p> <p><b>Response: Pending</b></p>
12.0	<p>Question_12.0: Bid Item 53 is Lead Compliance Plan. Where in the contract documents is the scope of this bid item defined? Is lead present? If so where and at what levels?</p> <p><b>Response: Please refer to pages 98 and 99 of the RED book for more information about the lead compliance.</b></p>
13.0	<p>Question_13: Reference drawing sheet 19 of 280; no structural section is shown for the parking area for cabin 68 area. Is there paving &amp; base in this area?</p> <p><b>Response: Pending</b></p>

14.0	<p>Question_2: Reference drawing sheet 97 for vista point enhancement. What is the asphalt pavement detail for this area? In addition, reference is made to sheets LD-5 and LD-5A for further details; this reference is incorrect --- should be sheets LD-10, LD-11 and LD-12 -- please confirm.</p> <p><b>Response: Pending</b></p>
15.0	<p>Question_11.0:What are the concrete walk details for the vista point shown on drawing sheet 97?</p> <p><b>Response: Pending</b></p>
16.0	<p>Question_1: Reference Bid Item 57: Is the thickness of the area to be rock-sculpted considered to be 1.5 feet over the whole area for the rock cut from Sta 943+50 to 951+50?</p> <p><b>Response: Pending</b></p>
17.0	<p>Question_2: Reference Bid Item 56: How will a quantity be calculated for payment for this item? In addition due to the nature of the existing slope; removal of rocks to a depth of 2 feet will potentially result in undermining of the slope and potentially expose more rocks which may be unstable. What if the rock to be removed is 3 foot in size projecting into the slope beyond visual detection; how will quantification be made?</p> <p><b>Response: Pending</b></p>