State of Rhode Island

Department of Administration
Division of Purchases
One Capitol Hill
Providence, RI 02908

REQUEST FOR QUOTE (RFQ) – BID# 7549029

2014-CT-081 STATEWIDE DMS INSTALLATION

SUBMISSION DEADLINE: Friday, October 31, 2014 at 03:00 PM (ET)

PRE-BID CONFERENCE: ☐ **NO**
☒ **YES** **Thursday, October 09, 2014 at 9:00 AM (ET)**

Mandatory: ☒ **NO**
☐ **YES:** Any vendor who intends to submit a bid proposal in response to this solicitation must have its designated representative attend the mandatory pre-bid conference. The representative must register at the pre-bid conference and disclose the identity of the vendor whom he/she represents. Because attendance at the pre-bid conference is mandatory, a vendor's failure to attend and register at the pre-bid conference shall result in disqualification of the vendor's bid proposal as non-responsive to the solicitation.

Location: **RIDOT-TRAFFIC MGT. CENTER CONFERENCE ROOM**
2 CAPITOL HILL
PROVIDENCE, RI

Buyer Name: **Lisa Hill**
Title: **Chief Buyer**

QUESTIONS Prospective bidders are hereby notified that all questions pertaining to this contract must be submitted to the Department of Transportation in writing through its website at http://www.dot.ri.gov/contracting/bids by accessing the questions & answers menu located within the 'contracting', then 'bidding opportunities' link. Response to the submitted questions will also be posted under this link, phone calls will not be accepted.

SURETY REQUIRED: **YES**

BOND REQUIRED: **YES**

DISK BASED BID: ☐ **NO**
☒ **YES:** See attached Disk Based Bidding Information

NOTE TO VENDORS:
Vendors must register on-line at the Rhode Island Division of Purchases website at www.purchasing.ri.gov. Offers received without the completed four-page Rhode Island Vendor Information Program (RIVIP) Generated Bidder Certification Cover Form attached may result in disqualification.

THIS IS NOT A BIDDER CERTIFICATION FORM

State of Rhode Island Department of Administration
Division of Purchases

RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

REVISED
November 20, 2013

NOTICE TO VENDORS

Each bid proposal for a *public works project* must include a "public copy" to be available for public inspection upon the opening of bids. **Bid proposals that do not include a copy for public inspection will be deemed nonresponsive.**

To comply with this requirement, *in addition to* the Quest Lite compatible electronic copy and one hard copy, bid proposals for *highway and bridge public works projects* must also include a duplicate original of the Quest Lite compatible electronic copy on a ***read-only*** CD-R media disc as the "public copy."

The public copy disc must be separately enclosed in a protective cover clearly marked "Public Copy" and include the following information (all available from the Bidder Certification Cover Form): (1) title of solicitation; (2) name of bidder and RIVIP vendor ID number; (3) bid number; and (4) date of bid.

The public copy may redact any trade secrets or commercial or financial information which is of a privileged or confidential nature pursuant to the "Access to Public Records Act," R. I. Gen. Laws §§ 38-2-1 *et seq.*

For further information on how to comply with this statutory requirement, see R. I. Gen. Laws §§ 37-2-18(b) and (j). Also see Procurement Regulations 5.11, 5.13, and 12.102.05 accessible at www.purchasing.ri.gov.

State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations
Department of Transportation

Notice to Contractors
Special Provisions
Proposal
Contract Agreement
Contract Bond

for the Performance of

Rhode Island Contract Number: 2014-CT-081

Rhode Island Federal-Aid\State-Aid Project Numbers: **CMAQ-VMSN(003)**

Project: **Statewide DMS Installation**

Limits: **I-295, I-95, Route 6, Route 146, Route 10**

City/Town: **Statewide**

County: **STATEWIDE**

Submitted By: _____

Address: _____

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Name of Surety: _____

Total Bid: _____

(BIDDER MUST FILL IN ALL ABOVE SPACES)

The basis of award of the Contract will be the total bid for all quantities of work in the proposal subject to review and correction as provided for in the Rhode Island Department of Transportation Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction and Standard Details.

NOTE: The State of Rhode Island Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction and Standard Details consists of the following:

- The Rhode Island Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction, Amended December 2010, with all revisions.
- The Rhode Island Standard Details, 1998 Edition, with all revisions.
- The Rhode Island Bridge Standard Details, 2010 Edition, with all revisions.
- The Division of Purchases Procurement Regulations Adopted December 2010.

*** Refer to Section 12.102.05 PREPARATION OF PROPOSAL of the STATE OF RHODE ISLAND PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS regarding the use of Quest Lite software for bid preparation.**

The above documents may be obtained at the Rhode Island Department of Transportation, Contracts and Specifications Office, upon request.

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION - DIVISION OF PURCHASES

NOTICE TO HIGHWAY AND BRIDGE CONTRACTORS

Sealed Proposals addressed to the State Purchasing Agent, Rhode Island Department of Administration, Division of Purchases, One Capitol Hill, Providence, Rhode Island 02903, will be opened and read in public on October 31, 2014 at 3:00PM. All bidders MUST register online at www.purchasing.ri.gov. A Bidder Certification Cover Sheet MUST accompany each bid. Bid item description and quantities estimated for this project will also be available online. Should you need assistance in registering or downloading a bid, call (401) 222-3766. Failure to comply will result in mandatory disqualification per Item 4 of Section 12.102.12 of the Division of Purchases Procurement Regulations Adopted December 2010 and RI General Law 37-2-17 which references the RI Vendor Information Program (RIVIP).

DESCRIPTION: This project shall consist of the replacement of existing solar powered portable variable message signs (PVMS) with permanent ground mounted dynamic message boards (DMS) along I-295, I-95, Route 6, and Route 146 throughout Rhode Island, and the installation of two overhead DMS on Route 10 in Cranston, Rhode Island. The proposed DMS's will have hard wired connections for both power and communications. The work included in this Contract shall include, but not be limited to, removal, stockpile and delivery of the existing PVMS, trailer, and solar equipment to RIDOT Maintenance, removal of the existing concrete pads, installation of ten (10) ground mounted DMS and two (2) overhead DMS, design and installation of structural supports and foundation for each DMS, installation of ground mounted control cabinets, testing of DMS and equipment, installation of handholes and conduit, installation and removal of guardrail, installation of utility poles, utility connections, placement of plantable soil and seed, traffic control, and all other incidentals necessary to complete the work to the satisfaction of the Engineer.

The Contractor will be required, in accordance with the provisions of the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Affirmative Action Certification for Contractors and Consultants, to meet the established Race-Conscious Goal, or Contract Goal, of not less than 6.00 percent of the contract bid price, to the Contractors, Subcontractors, and/or suppliers which qualify as Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE's). Failure by the Contractor to demonstrate every good faith effort in fulfilling its DBE commitment during the construction period will result in the reduction in contract payments by the amount determined by multiplying the awarded contract value by the established DBE percentage, and subtracting the dollar value of the work actually performed by DBE contractors. This action will not preclude RIDOT from imposing sanctions or other remedies available as specified in paragraph (I)(C) of the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Affirmative Action Certification for Contractors and Consultants.

Computer Disks for competitive bidding for the above described work will be furnished by the Department of Transportation, Division of Administrative Services, Contracts & Specifications Office, Room 108, Two Capitol Hill, Providence, Rhode Island, 02903, Tel.Number (401) 222-2495. The Plans, Specifications and Special Provisions may also be examined on or after September 26, 2014 every weekday except holidays between the hours of 8:00 AM and 4:00 PM.

The Bid Package consists of a single compact disk (CD) containing the following items: Construction Plans, Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction, Compilations of Approved Specifications, Required Contract Provisions for Federal-Aid Construction Contracts, RI Division of Purchases Procurement Regulations, General Provisions, Rhode Island Standard Details, Rhode Island Bridge Standard Details, Federal Wage Rates, Contract-Specific General Provisions, Job-Specific Specifications, Distribution of Quantities, Appendices (if applicable), Quest Lite bid file, Quest Lite installation software and a Quest Lite User Manual. Only complete bid packages will be issued.

Prospective Bidders are hereby notified that all questions pertaining to this Contract must be submitted to the Department of Transportation in writing through its website at http://www.dot.ri.gov/contracting/bids/ by accessing the Questions & Answers Menu located within the "Contracting", then "Contract Opportunities" link. Responses to the submitted questions will also be posted under this link. PHONE CALLS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

For help with RIDOT's Quest Lite bid preparation software, please contact the Contracts & Specifications Office, Room 108, Two Capitol Hill, Providence, Rhode Island, 02903, Tel. Number (401)-222-2495 or e-mail Quest@dot.ri.gov.

Please also note that all Bidding Documents required to be submitted and in fact submitted to the Purchasing Agent as part of a bid will be considered returned to the State and need not be returned to RIDOT.

A bid bond payable to the State of Rhode Island, in the amount of 5% of the total or gross sum of the bid must be furnished by each bidder. The Proposal Guaranty will be furnished by surety companies authorized/licensed to do business in the State of Rhode Island. The State reserves the right to retain the surety of all bidders until the successful bidder enters into the Contract or until such time as the award or cancellation of the Contract is announced at which point Sureties will be returned to all bidders by the State of Rhode Island. A performance bond of one hundred (100) percent of the contract price with a satisfactory surety company will be required of the successful bidder. All surety companies must be listed with The Department of the Treasury, Fiscal Services, Circular 570, (Latest Revision published by the Federal Register). The Department of Transportation reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

Required Contract Provisions - The attention of prospective bidders is called to the fact that this project is to be bid upon and the contract executed subject to all applicable federal laws and regulations for carrying out the provisions of the Federal-Aid Highway program..

Wages of labor on Federal -Aid Highway Projects - the prevailing rate of wages for laborers and mechanics employed by contractors or subcontractors on the initial construction of highway projects on the Federal - Aid Highway System, authorized under the Federal Highway Act of 1968, shall be paid wages at rates not less than those prevailing on the same type of work on similar construction in the immediate locality as determined by the United States Secretary of Labor, in accordance with the Act of August 30, 1935, known as the Davis - Bacon Act, under Decision Nos. 1 through 6 as applicable.

Prevailing wage rates and Davis - Bacon Wage Determination Reference Materials are available online at www.purchasing.ri.gov. It is advisable to print only the pages applicable to this bid; the rates active on the Rhode Island Vendor Information Program's bid solicitation date for this project are applicable for the duration of the contract resulting from this bid.

Work Hours Act of 1962 - This contract is subject to Work Hours Act of 1962, Public Law 87-581 and implementing regulations.

Pre-Bid Conference - A Pre-Bid Conference will be held in Providence, Rhode Island, at The RIDOT Traffic Management Center Conference Room on October 9, 2014 at 9:00AM, for the purpose of reviewing construction problems and/or operations concerning the project. Individuals requesting interpreter services for the hearing impaired must notify 401-222-4971 (T.D.D.) a minimum of at least three (3) business days, seventy-two (72) hours prior to the conference date.

SPECIAL NOTE

ANY REFERENCE TO THE RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS OR THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS SHOULD BE REVISED TO THE RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND THE DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION RESPECTIVELY.

NOTICE TO ALL BIDDERS

The Rhode Island Department of Transportation, in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 U.S.C. §§ 2000d - 2000d-4 and 49 C.F.R. Part 21, Nondiscrimination in Federally-Assisted Programs of the Department of Transportation - Effectuation of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, issued pursuant to such Act, hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively insure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, Disadvantaged Business Enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, sex, national origin, age, or disability in consideration for an award.

To report bid rigging activities call: **1-800-424-9071**

The U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) operates the above toll-free hotline Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. eastern time. Anyone with knowledge of possible bid rigging, bidder collusion, or other fraudulent activities should use the hotline to report such activities.

The hotline is part of the DOT's continuing effort to identify, and investigate highway construction contract fraud and abuse and is operated under the direction of the DOT Inspector General. All information will be treated confidentially and caller anonymity will be respected.

Item List

Date: 9/18/2014

Estimate Name - Advertising
Project Name - Statewide DMS Installation
R.I. Contract No. - 2014-CT-081
FAP Nos. - CMAQ-VMSN(003)

Seq No.	Item Code	Description	Quantity	UM
001	201.0415	REMOVE AND DISPOSE GUARDRAIL AND POST ALL TYPES	655.00	LF
002	201.0425	REMOVE AND DISPOSE FLARED END SECTION	1.00	EACH
003	201.9901	REMOVE & SALVAGE EXISTING PVMS AT I-295 REST AREA	1.00	LS
004	201.9902	REMOVE & SALVAGE EXISTING PVMS AT I-295 AND ROUTE 5	1.00	LS
005	201.9903	REMOVE & SALVAGE EXISTING PVMS AT I-295 AND EXIT 4	1.00	LS
006	201.9904	REMOVE & SALVAGE EXISTING PVMS AT I-295 AND ROUTE 12	1.00	LS
007	201.9905	REMOVE & SALVAGE EXISTING PVMS AT I-295 AND EXIT 3	1.00	LS
008	201.9906	REMOVE & SALVAGE EXISTING PVMS AT I-295 AND EXIT 4 & 5	1.00	LS
009	201.9907	REMOVE & SALVAGE EXISTING PVMS AT I-95 AND EXIT 3	1.00	LS
010	201.9908	REMOVE & DISPOSE EXISTING CONCRETE PAD AT I-295 AND ROUTE 116	1.00	LS
011	201.9909	REMOVE & DISPOSE EXISTING CONCRETE PAD AT ROUTE 6 AND I-295	1.00	LS
012	201.9910	REMOVE & DISPOSE EXISTING CONCRETE PAD AT ROUTE 146 AND SAYLES HILL ROAD	1.00	LS
013	201.9911	REMOVE AND DISPOSE EROSION CONTROL	1.00	LS
014	201.9912	REMOVE AND SALVAGE SAND FILLED BARREL SYSTEM	1.00	LS
015	205.0240	TRENCH ROCK EXCAVATION (0-7')	54.00	CY
016	206.9901	COMPOST FILTER SOCK	825.00	LF
017	212.2000	CLEANING AND MAINTENANCE OF EROSION CONTROLS	1.00	LS
018	711.9901	PAVED WATERWAY	10.00	SY
S019	901.0101	GUARDRAIL STEEL BEAM SINGLE FACE EARTH AND ASPHALT	730.00	LF
S020	901.0190	GUARDRAIL STEEL BEAM ANCHORAGE APPROACH SECTION STANDARDS 34.3.1 AND 34.3.3	3.00	EACH
S021	901.0191	GUARDRAIL STEEL BEAM ANCHORAGE TRAILING END SECTION STANDARD 34.3.4	2.00	EACH
022	904.0101	REMOVE AND RESET FENCE AND/OR RAILING CHAIN LINK	20.00	LF
023	907.0100	WATER FOR DUST CONTROL	1.00	MGAL
024	914.5010	FLAGPERSONS	480.00	MHRS
025	914.5020	FLAGPERSONS - OVERTIME	50.00	MHRS
S026	916.0600	SHOCK ABSORBING BARRIER MODULES	1.00	GRP
027	919.0101	TEST PITS	22.00	EACH
028	922.0100	TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION SIGNS STANDARD 29.1.0 AND 27.1.1	393.00	SF
029	923.0200	FLUORESCENT TRAFFIC CONES STANDARD 26.1.0	150.00	EACH
030	924.0113	ADVANCE WARNING ARROW PANEL	45.00	PDAY

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031	928.0800	TRUCK MOUNTED ATTENUATOR WITH TRUCK MOUNTED FLASHING ARROW BOARD	165.00	PDAY
032	929.0110	FIELD OFFICE	12.00	PMO
033	936.0110	MOBILIZATION	1.00	LS
034	937.0200	MAINTENANCE AND MOVEMENT TRAFFIC PROTECTION	1.00	LS
035	943.0200	TRAINEE MAN-HOURS	1,000.00	MHRS
036	T04.6902	'2' STRANDED COPPER CONDUCTOR 600V INSULATION	13,085.00	LF
037	T05.0100	PRECAST TYPE A HANDHOLE STANDARD 18.2.0	54.00	EACH
038	T05.0400	BREAK INTO EXISTING HANDHOLE	2.00	EACH
039	T05.9901	REPLACE HANDHOLE FRAME AND COVER	2.00	EACH
040	T06.1015	1-1/2 IN. RIGID STEEL CONDUIT - UNDERGROUND	70.00	LF
041	T06.1020	2 IN. RIGID STEEL CONDUIT - UNDERGROUND	3,265.00	LF
042	T06.2015	1-1/2 IN. RIGID STEEL CONDUIT-OVERHEAD	390.00	LF
043	T06.2020	2 IN. RIGID STEEL CONDUIT-OVERHEAD	220.00	LF
044	T06.5120	2 INCH SCHEDULE 40 POLYVINYL CHLORIDE PLASTIC CONDUIT - UNDERGROUND	3,995.00	LF
045	T06.6020	2 INCH POLYVINYL CHLORIDE PLASTIC CONDUIT-OVERHEAD	440.00	LF
046	T11.0100	ANCHOR GUY ASSEMBLY CONSTRUCTED IN PLACE	2.00	EACH
047	T11.0130	TRAFFIC SIGNAL STANDARD, WOOD, 30 FT. CLASS 3	11.00	EACH
048	T12.9901	FURNISH, INSTALL AND TEST GROUND MOUNTED DMS SYSTEM AT I-295 REST AREA	1.00	LS
049	T12.9902	FURNISH, INSTALL AND TEST GROUND MOUNTED DMS SYSTEM AT I-295 AND ROUTE 116	1.00	LS
050	T12.9903	FURNISH, INSTALL AND TEST GROUND MOUNTED DMS SYSTEM AT I-295 AND ROUTE 5	1.00	LS
051	T12.9904	FURNISH, INSTALL AND TEST GROUND MOUNTED DMS SYSTEM AT I-295 AND EXIT 4	1.00	LS
052	T12.9905	FURNISH, INSTALL AND TEST GROUND MOUNTED DMS SYSTEM AT I-295 AND ROUTE 12	1.00	LS
053	T12.9906	FURNISH, INSTALL AND TEST GROUND MOUNTED DMS SYSTEM AT I-295 AND EXIT 3	1.00	LS
054	T12.9907	FURNISH, INSTALL AND TEST GROUND MOUNTED DMS SYSTEM AT I-95 BETWEEN EXITS 4 & 5	1.00	LS
055	T12.9908	FURNISH, INSTALL AND TEST GROUND MOUNTED DMS SYSTEM AT I-95 AND EXIT 3	1.00	LS
056	T12.9909	FURNISH, INSTALL AND TEST GROUND MOUNTED DMS SYSTEM AT ROUTE 6 AND I-295	1.00	LS
057	T12.9910	FURNISH, INSTALL AND TEST GROUND MOUNTED DMS SYSTEM AT ROUTE 146 AND SAYLES HILL ROAD	1.00	LS

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Seq No.	Item Code	Description	Quantity	UM
058	T12.9911	FURNISH, INSTALL AND TEST OVERHEAD DMS SYSTEM	1.00	LS
059	T12.9912	FIBER ETHERNET SWITCH	11.00	EACH
060	T12.9913	METER SOCKET W/ MANUAL BY-PASS AND CIRCUIT BREAKER	11.00	EACH
061	T12.9914	POWER CONDITIONER	11.00	EACH
062	T15.0100	DIRECTIONAL REGULATORY AND WARNING SIGNS	5.00	SF
063	T15.0200	REMOVE AND RELOCATE DIRECTIONAL REGULATORY AND WARNING SIGN	2.00	EACH
064	T17.9901	FURNISH AND INSTALL OVERHEAD DMS STRUCTURE AND FOUNDATION 126' TO 135' SPAN - STEEL	1.00	LS

RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

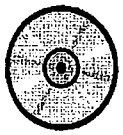
* *THIS IS A DISK-BASED BID* *

ELECTRONIC BIDDING PROCEDURE NOTICE

ALL BID OFFERS MUST BE PREPARED USING THE QUEST LITE BID PREPARATION SOFTWARE PACKAGE

Bidders MUST register in person at the RIDOT Contract Administration office to obtain the necessary Bidder Registration and Digital ID codes for the Quest Lite software.

RIDOT Provides:



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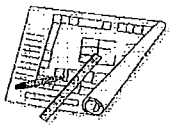
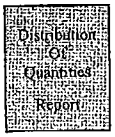


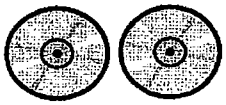
Plans (on CD)

Contract Documents (on CD)



DOQ Report (on CD)

Bidder Must Submit:



2 High-Density Compact Disks (CDs) w/Quest Lite Bid "zip" file**

Completed & Signed Proposal (Hard Copy)

Surety (Bid Bond)

Bid Surety (Hard Copy)

RIVIP Certification Form

Completed & Signed (Hard Copy)

Contact the Contracts & Specifications Office at 222-2495 to request technical assistance on issues directly related to the Quest Lite software
Office Hours: 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM

****Refer to the RIDOA "Notice to Contractors" for additional information on the "Public Copy" submission requirements.**

NO BID OFFER WILL BE CONSIDERED

UNLESS ACCOMPANIED BY A COMPACT DISK (CD)

CONTAINING THE BID PROPOSAL FILE

GENERATED BY THE QUEST LITE BID PREPARATION SOFTWARE

Failure to comply will result in a mandatory disqualification per Section 12.102.07 of the RI Dept of Administration Division of Purchases Procurement Regulations

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Rhode Island Department of Transportation (RIDOT)

Notice to Contractors

THIS IS A DISK-BASED BID

Bid offers will be accepted ***only on a CD generated by RIDOT-supplied software called Quest Lite; each CD must be accompanied by a hard copy signed offer printed from the software and submitted at the Bid Opening***. Minimum computer hardware and operating system requirements are listed here. ***Training is strongly recommended for all new bidders and others unfamiliar with these procedures. SEE BELOW.***

CONTACT: **RIDOT CONTRACTS & SPECIFICATIONS**
Rm. 108, Two Capitol Hill, Providence, RI 02903
Phone: **401-222-2495**
Hours: **Mon – Fri, 8:00AM – 4:00PM**

1. **Required Registration Codes for Each Bidder.**
Registration Codes for RIDOT software are necessary to install and use the software; a firm only needs to register once to acquire secure, unique bidder identification codes to be used with all RIDOT disk-based construction project bids **Bidders must retain these codes for future use.**

2. **The required Quest Lite installation software and all applicable Contract Documents are provided on a CD-ROM.**
The Contract Documents include the RI DOA Division of Purchases Procurement Regulations, RI Standard Specifications, Amended December 2010 and all revisions, the RI Standard Details for Highway and Bridge Construction, Bridge Standard Details, General Provisions, Special Provisions, Distribution of Quantities and Engineering Plans, and all other applicable documents

3. **Minimum Computer Hardware and Operating System Requirements.**
   - Windows XP SP2 w/Pentium IV processor
   - CD-ROM Drive, Floppy Drive, Printer & 15" Monitor (17" recommended)
   - 20GB Hard Disk with 1GB free (40 GB with 5 GB free recommended)
   - 512 MB RAM (1 GB recommended)
   - 32 MB Video Card (64 MB SVGA recommended)
   - Internet Explorer 6 0 SP 2

4. **Addenda, when necessary, are available on Purchases' RIVIP website.**
at: http://www.purchasing.ri.gov/RIVIP/BidSearch.asp
RIDOT will make all necessary addenda available at Purchases' web site It is the plan-holders responsibility to poll the RIVIP to keep up-to-date on addenda.

5. **Training may be requested up to three days prior to the Bid Opening.**
Training is provided on request Arrangements must be made through the RIDOT Contracts & Specifications Office at least three (3) days prior to the Bid Opening of the project

6. **Technical Support.**
Assistance is available upon request by contacting the Contracts & Specifications office during work hours or emailing Quest@dot.ri.gov.

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NOTICE TO HIGHWAY AND BRIDGE CONTRACTORS

Rhode Island Department of Transportation (RIDOT)
Contracts and Specifications

ELECTRONIC BIDDING PROCEDURES
QUEST LITE UPGRADE

Effective January 1, 2011, bid offers for all RIDOT Contracts requiring the use of the Department's Quest Lite bid preparation software **MUST** be prepared using **Quest Lite Version 040408 (2.8.4)**. Failure to comply with this requirement could result in the disqualification of your bid offer.

Full installation and upgrade-only software packages, including installation directions, for Quest Lite Version **040408 (2.8.4)** will be provided on the Project Advertising CD's, which are available to prospective bidders through the Contracts and Specifications office on or after the scheduled project advertising date.

Contractors presently using Quest Lite Version 040407 (2.8.3) need only install the upgrade package to complete the conversion, **UNLESS** a previous upgrade installation was used to upgrade from 2.8.2 to 2.8.3, in which case these installations must be removed and the full installation performed. Earlier versions (2.8.2 or lower) will require the full installation in all instances.

For technical assistance, contact the Contracts and Specifications office at 222-2495.

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QUEST LITE VERSION 4.4.8 (2.8.4)

UPGRADE & FULL INSTALLATION

All bid offers prepared using the Department of Transportation's Quest Lite software must use the Quest Lite Version 040408 (2.8.4). If there is no Quest Lite installation, than the full installation must be completed. For earlier versions of Quest Lite, either the upgrade or full installation will be required to be completed. Both versions (upgrade and full installation) are provided on this project CD.

Before proceeding with any installations, note the following:

1. All users must register with the Department of Transportation in order to use Quest Lite. At the time of registration, users are provided with a set of unique company ID codes (Site Code, Bidder Code and company Short Name). Users **MUST RETAIN** these codes for future use.

2. Many users who currently have Quest Lite installed will only require the installation of the upgrade version. To determine if the upgrade installation is sufficient, the present version of the Quest Lite installation must be determined. This is accomplished in Quest Lite by clicking on Help/About. If the present version is 040407 (2.8.3) then the upgrade installation is sufficient **unless** an upgrade version has been previously used to upgrade version 2.8.2 to 2.8.3.

3. For earlier installations (versions below 2.8.3, and if an upgrade has been previously installed to upgrade to version 2.8.3), the full installation of Quest Lite is required. (Note: if the full installation is required, the upgrade installation does not need to be performed after the full installation is completed.)

4. To determine if an upgrade version of Quest Lite version is present, it is generally easiest to use the "Add or Remove Programs" function from the Control Panel to view the Quest Lite installations. Should both an installation and an upgrade version be installed, both programs must be removed using the "Remove" function and the new version 2.8.4 installed.

5. It is recommended that users consult the Quest Lite User Manual provided on this CD prior to attempting the installation of the upgrade or full program installation.

6. After completing the installation of the upgrade or full installation, it is recommended that a test bid be submitted to the Department to ensure the program is functioning correctly and that the Quest Lite bid files can be correctly imported into the Department's Quest program. Test bids may be submitted on a CD to the Contracts office in Room 109 of the RIDOT Headquarters, or by e-mail to Quest@dot.ri.gov.

Installation Instructions – Upgrade Version

Upgrade Quest Lite only if the current installed version is 2.8 3, and a previous upgrade has not been installed.

1. Close Quest Lite before attempting the installation.
2. Using the project CD, double-click on the "Upgrade Only" option provided on the Start page.
3. When prompted for a password, enter "ridot".
4. Follow the instructions provided in the installation wizard to complete the installation.
5. When executing Quest Lite for the first time after installing the upgrade, users may be prompted to enter their company bidder codes.

Installation Instructions – Complete Installation

A complete Installation of the software is required only if Quest Lite is:

1. Not installed on the computer/laptop; or
2. The installed version of Quest Lite is older than 2 8.3, i.e. 2.8.2 or under; or
3. The 2.8 3 upgrade version of Quest Lite is installed.

If any of 1 through 3 above apply, follow these instructions:

1. If a Quest Lite version 2.8.2 or older, or a 2.8.3 upgrade are currently installed,
   a. Close Quest Lite.
   b. Remove all the existing installation(s) of Quest Lite. To accomplish this, follow the instructions provided on pages 19 – 25 of the Quest Lite User Manual provided with this project CD. Follow the installation removal directions for the operating system in use on the machine.
2. Using the project CD, double-click on the "Complete Installation" option provided on the Start page.
3. When prompted for a password, enter "ridot".
4. Follow the instructions provided in the installation wizard to complete the installation.
5. When executing Quest Lite for the first time after completing the installation, the user will be prompted to enter the company bidder codes provided by the Department. Once this information is entered, the installation process will be complete.

For technical assistance, contact the Contracts & Specifications office at 222-2495.