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**Solicitation Information  
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**ADDENDUM # 1**

**RFP# 7549681**

**TITLE: Structural Engineering Services, Blanket Requirements, University of Rhode Island**

**Submission Deadline: Thursday July 16, 2015 at 11:30 AM (Local Time)**

**Notice To Vendors:**

- **Attached are the questions received with responses, no further questions will be answered**

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*Interested parties should monitor this website, on a regular basis, for any additional information that may be posted.*

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1. If an engineering firm is a certified MBE in the State of RI, can the 10% goal set in the RFP be met with its own forces or do we have to subcontract it to a MBE firm?

**A FRIM CAN USE ITS OWN FORCES TO MEET THE GOAL**

2. Should the W-9 be submitted in a separate sealed envelope or can it be included in the Technical Proposal marked original?

**INCLUDE IT WITH ORIGINAL TECHNICAL PROPOSAL**

3. Please clarify if the original response (Technical Proposal) has to be submitted in a separate sealed envelope and copies in a separate sealed envelope.

**ALL TECHNICAL PROPOSALS SHOULD BE IN ONE SEALED ENVELOPE AND THE COST IN A SEPARATE SEALED PROPOSAL**

4. In 2012, a blanket agreement for structural engineering services (RFP# 7457798) was issued.

Will you please provide some indication of the number of assignments and the average fee for those assignments?

**NO, THERE WERE TWO FIRMS ON THE LAST BLANKET**

5. How important is the MBE goal to the selection criteria? The potential activities/tasks seem to be pretty straightforward structural engineering which we would perform complete in-house. Should we bring an MBE structural engineer on board to meet this goal?

**THE 10% IS THE STATE'S GOAL, YOU WILL NEED TO SUBMIT YOUR PLAN TO THE MBE OFFICE FOR APPROVAL OR WAIVER**

6. Do you anticipate selecting more than 1 consultant for the structural on-call contract?

**YES**

7. Has the work completed by the existing structural on-call representative(s) met or exceeded expectations?

**MET EXPECTATION**

8. The "Estimated Work Requirement for Bidding Comparison" projects 495 man-hours of structural on-call work annually. Is this level of work consistent with the current structural on-call contract?

**YES**