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Addendum # 7138897A3

RFP # 7138897

Title: On-Call Transportation Claims Assessment Consultant

**Submission Deadline EXTENSION: FRIDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2008 @ 11:30 A.M.
(Eastern)**

Per issuance of Addendum #3, an additional task has also been added to Scope of Services anticipated for this project.

This Addendum will also clarify several recent questions posted on RIDOT'S Q&A website. For a complete listing of questions submitted for this project go to:
<http://www.dot.ri.gov/contracting/bids/quesanswer.asp?job=7138897>.

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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
RIDOT Addendum Notification

7138897 – On-Call Transportation Claims Assessment Consultant

Per the issuance of Department of Transportation ADDENDUM # 7138897A3 the following changes are noted:

- CLARIFICATION

Responses to selected questions posted on RIDOT website.

- ADDITIONAL REQUIRED TASK

The following task will be added to the Scope of Services for this project:

On an “as needed” basis, the RIDOT may require the Transportation Claims Assessment Consultant (TCAC) to provide a written formal review of any current additions or revisions to the **RIDOT Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction**, such as *PART 100 – General Requirements and Covenants*. This task will be assigned to the TCAC'S assigned Professional Engineer (RI) who will work in conjunction with RIDOT Staff to finalize any specification updates.

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**Questions and Answers For: On-Call Transportation Claims Assessment Consultant
(7138897)**

Question:

Our firm is interested in the recently issued RFP for the RI DOT On-Call Transportation Claims Assessment Consultant - RFP #7138897. While reviewing the RFP, questions arose regarding the Conflict of Interest statements on page 1 of the RFP. 1) Our firm (and possibly other firms submitting proposals) has other practice groups that would not be involved in any work under this contract. Would this contract preclude other groups within our firm from providing services to Rhode Island Agency/Municipality/DOT contractors and/or design consultants on matters unrelated to the work done under this contract? (For example, if there was a pipeline explosion, electrical failure, crane accident, or some other incident unrelated to the work under the TCAC contract that involved a contractor/subcontractor/design consultant currently under contract with RI DOT, would all practice groups within our firm as a whole be precluded from getting involved?) 2) Can you provide a list of contractors and design consultants that could represent a conflict so we can confirm that we do not have a conflict, or that we will transition from the conflict. Thank you very much for your time.

Answer:

Due to the confidential nature of the work requested, **both** the TCAC and their sub-consultant(s) **may** be precluded from participating on any other Rhode Island State Agency or Municipality contract relating to road and bridge **construction or design** for the entire MPA contract term.

It will be at RIDOT'S sole discretion to determine if a conflict of interest exists when the TCAC consultant is engaged based the requested services at that time.

A sampling of current CONSTRUCTION contract awards can be accessed through the RIDOT website @ <https://www.pmp.dot.ri.gov/PMP/DesktopDefault.aspx?aM=ubid&podid=-1&oM=reports&cl=1&cp=bidtabs&appindex=0&appid=0>.

RIDOT does not keep a listing of CONSULTANT contract awards for public inspection.

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Question:

Regarding the Pricing form: Can you provide definitions for the different type of services requested? Specifically, what is the difference between Schedule/Cost Engineer & Schedule/Cost Analyst & Construction Claims Analyst ? Also, for Testifying expert, can we submit separate prices for a "Schedule" Testifying expert and a "Cost or Accounting" Expert? Also, for the Accountant line item, can we submit different rates dependent on the "level" of staff performing the rate or does it have to be one blended rate? Thank you.

Answer:

RIDOT offers the following clarifications:

SCHEDULE/ COST ENGINEER: At a minimum, Graduate Engineer (BS in Engineering) with expertise in delay claim analysis as well as all facets of construction scheduling.

SCHEDULE/ COST ANALYST: Technician with expertise in time impact and loss-of-productivity analysis.

CONSTRUCTION CLAIMS ANALYST: Technician with experience in investigation and evaluation of construction claims.

With regard to pricing for TESTIFYING EXPERT and ACCOUNTANT job titles: RIDOT requests ONE RATE be submitted per category for each of the 3-YEARS anticipated. Firms are advised to calculate a "blended rate" encompassing the level of staff expertise to be assigned for each of the classifications listed on PAGE 8 of RFP.

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