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Subject: Letter of Clarification No. 2: - S63-C25581 for Asphaltic Pavement Repairs for the Department of Public Works and Engineering

To: All Prospective Bidders:

This letter of Clarification is being issued for the following reason:

- **To respond to questions posed by perspective bidders.**

1. The following questions and the City of Houston responses are hereby incorporated and made part of the Invitation to Bid:

Question No. 1 "Page 14 of 47 on its paragraph 1.2.7.3 indicates that the size of the large patches to be at least 60 S.F. Please clarify the anticipated **maximum size** that this type of patches may extend."

Answer: **A patch can extend up to 400 square feet**

Question No. 2 "Page 16 of 47 paragraphs 3.1.1.6 and 3.2.1.7, also Page 17 of 47 paragraph 3.3.1.7 all state "*Traffic Control billed per hour*". The Bid Form on **line 4**, calls price shall be provided "for each site". Please clarify."

Answer: **Traffic Control for Each Site billed per hour**

Question No. 3 "Page 16 of 47 paragraphs 3.1.1.8 and 3.2.1.9, also Page 17 of 47 paragraph 3.3.1.9 all state "*Mobilization billed per location*". The Bid Form does not show any line item for this task. Please clarify."

Answer: **No Mobilization Cost**

Question No. 4 "Page 17 of 47 paragraph 3.3.1.3 calls for "*Replacement and compaction of base material removed*". Please clarify if the subgrade shall be lime stabilized or not and what material shall be used for replacing the base."

Answer: **Limestone or Type A Asphalt (Black base)**

Question No. 5 “Page 18 of 47 on paragraph 4.3.1 for annual price adjustment on the asphalt the document currently shows “*Old Price *1*Percentages of Increase = New Price*”. It seems there is a typo and it shall be corrected as “*Old Price*(1+percentage of increase) = New Price.*”

Answer: 4.3.1 Formula:
Price adjustments shall be calculated by applying the simple percentage method to the PPI data. This method is defined as dividing the index value at the time of the calculation by the index value of the base period (***one year earlier***), then multiplying the percentage by the base price.

Example

Award date: February 15, 2012

Bid Price: \$40.00

PPI for February 2012: 252.1

PPI for February 2013: 257.6

First price adjustment: March 10th 2013

Calculation: (PPI 02/13 - PPI 02/12) / PPI 02/12 = Percentage of Increase

“Old Price * (1 + Percentage of Increase) = New price”

(257.6-252.1) / 252.1 = .0218

\$40.00 X (1 + .0218) = \$40.87

When issued, Letter(s) of Clarification shall automatically become a part of the solicitation documents and shall supersede any previous specification(s) and/or provision(s) in conflict with the Letter(s) of Clarification. All revisions, responses, and answers incorporated into the

Letter(s) of Clarification are collaboratively from both the Strategic Procurement Division and the applicable City Department(s). It is the responsibility of the bidder/respondent to ensure that it has obtained all such letter(s). By submitting a bid on this project, bidders/respondents shall be deemed to have received all Letter(s) of Clarification and to have incorporated them into this solicitation and resulting bid.

Furthermore, it is the responsibility of each Contractor to obtain any previous Letter of Clarification associated with this solicitation.

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