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GOLDEN GATE BRIDGE
PHYSICAL SUICIDE DETERRENT SYSTEM
FEDERAL-AID PROJECT: BHLS-6003(051)
and
WIND RETROFIT
FEDERAL-AID PROJECT: BHLS-6003(052)

Contract No. 2016-B-1

To: Prospective Bidders

RE: **Response to Bidders' Questions No. 36, 37 and 38**

Ladies and Gentlemen:

The following are the responses to questions submitted by prospective bidders and designated as Bid Questions No. 36, 37 and 38:

BID QUESTION No. 36:

Note 4 on Contract Drawing WR024 states, "Clean and paint entire existing sidewalk railing including rail cap, pickets, bottom channels, Panel Point 46 post, expansion dam unit, and other miscellaneous steel up to Panel Point 46. Remove exist expansion dam unit to access all railing steel within expansion dam unit." Is this painting exclusive to west sidewalk railing replacement in the main span, or is this painting outside of these limits? If so, what are the paint limits?

RESPONSE:

Revised Contract Drawing WR024 will be issued in an upcoming addendum to require the portions of the existing railing and the expansion dam units at two locations on the west side of the Suspension Bridge main span, between Panel Points 46 and 47 and Panel Points 46' and 47', to be replaced with new railing and expansion dams.

BID QUESTION No. 37:

Note 4 on Contract Drawing WR024 states, "Clean and paint entire existing sidewalk railing including rail cap, pickets, bottom channels, Panel Point 46 post, expansion dam unit, and other miscellaneous steel up to Panel Point 46. Remove exist expansion dam unit to access all railing steel within expansion dam unit." Please provide the type, size, number of locations and any other relevant details pertaining to the expansion dam unit, or portions thereof that will require removal and or painting as referenced in Note 4.

RESPONSE:

See response to Question No. 36. Also, details of the new expansion dams will be provided in the same upcoming addendum.

BID QUESTION No. 38:

Will the District make available for review the contract/as-built drawings for the Lower Lateral Bracing System that was installed around 1954? It is currently not listed on the Bridge Record Drawing Index. We believe these drawings contain essential and pertinent information regarding the replacement of the bottom and interior travelers as well as information pertaining to the connections for the new netting system.

RESPONSE:

The District will include the as-built drawings for the Bottom Lateral System (Contract 18) in the Supplemental Project Information and will provide access to these drawings to prospective bidders who have been approved to access Security Sensitive Information and who has made an appointment to review the Supplemental Project Information at the District's offices. Appointment requests to review the Supplemental Project Information may be made by email at bidquestions@goldengate.org. Appointments must be scheduled 7 days in advance of the proposed viewing.

A revision to the listing in the Golden Gate Bridge Record Drawing Index table in Special Provisions Section 2-1.06, "Supplement Project Information," to include the drawings for the Bottom Lateral System (Contract 18) will be issued in an Addendum.

Sincerely,



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