



Alaska Railroad Corporation
327 W. Ship Creek Ave.
Anchorage, AK 99501

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Addendum 2
Invitation to Bid # 20-31-208421
Whittier Yard: Lower 1 and Lower2 Track Improvements
Heavy Duty Crossing Panels

Addendum number 2 is issued for Questions.

The Closing Date for this ITB has changed.
Bids will be received until Friday September 4, 2020 @ 3:00 PM Alaska time.

Questions:

1. Alaska RR spec (page 32) calls for 6,000psi Class-P concrete, "in accordance with Section 501" Section 501 from Alaska DOT (Table 501-6) describes Class-P concrete as 8,000psi. Which strength shall govern?
 - *The ARRC specified compressive strength shall govern as subsection 501-2.02(6) states: "If the Specified Compressive Strength (f'c) is not designated on the Plans, use a Specified Compressive Strength listed in Table 501-6.". As such, Table 501-6 is not applicable.*
2. Alaska RR spec (page 32) calls for a 3rd party to conduct all quality control testing of the concrete in accordance with 501-3.03 "Evaluation of material for acceptance", and frequency of 1 test per half day's pour. The frequency of the testing called for does not seem to be line with the rate of production for these precast panels. Our personnel are ACI Level 1 certified and would perform all testing in accordance with 501-3.03, hiring a 3rd party to perform this testing for each day of production would be a duplication of effort and would substantially increase the cost. Could the intent of the above specification be met by in-house personnel performing the testing called for in section 501-3.03, or shall it be followed explicitly?
 - *Concrete testing may be performed by qualified in-house testing personnel in lieu of a 3rd Party firm performing said tests. Testing frequency may be reduced to a frequency in line with the rate of production of the panels upon satisfactory results of the initial pour(s).*
3. Will the ARRC consider crossing panel systems that bolt onto wooden ties and meet the loading requirements outlined in the ITB package?
 - *No.*

4. The Supply Bid Form mentions a Payment and Performance Bond. Are they required for this ITB?
No, there will not be a Payment or Performance Bond requirement for this ITB.
5. Is the freight to be included in the actual unit price of the heavy duty concrete panels?
Yes, the project is to be FOB Seattle, thus all items should have the freight built in to the cost in the lump sum total.

All other terms and conditions remain unchanged.
If there are any questions regarding this addendum please let me know.

Thank you,

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