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May 17, 2024 Addendum No. 02 File Reference Number: RFP 2024 017 Title: Designated Substance Surveys - Various ONTC Buildings RE: Clarifications/Questions

Please refer to the following information / clarifications:

**Item 1:** Due to potential inaccessibility of certain materials without significant demolition and to avoid damage to critical building materials (e.g., parts of the building envelope) that cannot be easily repaired at all or cannot be repaired without the help of specialized contractor assistance, can you confirm whether the following materials/building components do not require sampling and can be presumed to contain asbestos, as needed:

- Fire-rated doors and door frames
- Roofing materials
- Underground services or piping
- High-voltage wiring
- Exterior window, door caulking, equipment gaskets (where removal of materials would compromise seals forming part of the building envelope)
- Mechanical system components for which sampling would compromise the function of the system or that are otherwise inaccessible (e.g., duct connectors, gaskets)

**Answer:** Testing must be performed to know if asbestos is present. Asbestos is not to be presumed to be present. Fire-rated door and door frames, underground services or piping, and high-voltage wiring are not to be tested. Roofing samples are to be taken from the roof overhang. Exterior window and door caulking samples are to be taken from the top of the door or window.

**Item 2:** Can you confirm whether toxicity characteristic leaching procedure (TCLP) testing will be required for any substrates such as wood or concrete?

**Answer:** This is not required.

**Item 3:** Item #1 and #2 in Addendum #1 indicate that intrusive destructive testing is required at seven specified buildings. For demolition purposes, buildings requiring destructive testing with non-metal roofs typically coring through the roofing layers to test all materials present for asbestos. Can you confirm the accuracy of the following two assumptions:

- a) roof coring is required for non-metal roofs at facilities noted for destructive testing or demolition in Addendum 1,
- b) roofing materials for other in-scope buildings can be assumed to contain asbestos (and do not need to be sampled)

**Answer:** Roof coring is required for all buildings with non-metal roofs identified as requiring destructive testing. A roof sample is to be taken from the roof overhang of all other buildings with non-metal roofs.

**Item 4:** Please advise if a guarantee is required for how long repairs to cored/sampled roofing sections must remain watertight.

**Answer:** No guarantee is required. All repairs must fully cover the sampled area.

**Item 5:** Can the costing be submitted as a separate file, or should all elements of the proposal to be in a single file?

**Answer:** This RFP is not a two-envelope process. All elements of the proposal may be submitted in a single file.

Item 6: Can the Gantt chart (schedule) be uploaded as an excel file?

**Answer:** Yes, ONTC will accept the Gantt Chart in an Excel format.

**Item 7:** Would ONTC consider extending the submission deadline by one (1) week?

Answer: ONTC will agree to extend the submission deadline/closing date by one (1) week.

The new closing date will be Wednesday, May 29, 2024 at 2:00:00 p.m. EDT.

Regards,

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