

**December 30, 2024****Addendum No. 01****File Reference Number: RFP 2024 069****Title: Northeastern Passenger Rail Service – Timmins-Porcupine Station****RE: Clarifications/Questions**

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Please refer to the following information/clarification:

**Item 1:** Are you able to accept an alternative to the ESD flooring for the ONTC Timmins-Porcupine Station project?**Answer:** Any material replacement will be done according to the specifications. It is subject to review and approval on a case-by-case basis as per specification 01 33 00 – Submittal Procedures clause 1.04.**Item 2:** Drawing No. M-002 - Detail 3 - Penetration Through Foundation Wall: Will these be required only for piping going through footings from outdoors to indoors?**Answer:** Yes, this detail is provided to indicate the installation requirement necessary for penetrations through the foundation, from indoors to outdoors as required and detailed in the Contract Documents.**Item 3:** With regards to Section 08 31 00 Access Doors & Panels, please confirm that they are supplied by the mechanical & electrical trades and installed by the framing/masonry trade.**Answer:** Access doors for mechanical equipment and devices are to be provided and installed in accordance with specification 08 31 00 and specification 20 05 63 Access Doors and Accessibility, clauses 3.1.1. and 3.1.2.**Item 4:** The floor drain size for the Entrance Mats is noted as 50mm diameter on the Architectural details and 100mm diameter on the Plumbing Drawings, please confirm size required.**Answer:** Drawing key note #1 on the related architectural plans refers to the mechanical drawings for the drainage details to be followed. Please see the mechanical drawing set for the drainage information to be followed, which references the 100mm diameter drain.

**Item 5:** Are you able to accept an alternative to the Bike Racks (F-14 on FF&E Drawings & specified in Section 12 93 00 Site Furnishings)?

**Answer:** Alternative bike rack of the same shape (post and ring) can be considered through material submittal as per specification 01 33 00 – Submittal Procedures.

**Item 6:** Who is responsible for the connection and associated costs for gas, hydro, and water? Will these be covered under cash allowances?

**Answer:** Contractor is responsible for establishing utility connections, utility costs during construction and associated connection charges with service providers. See 01 51 00 - Temporary Utilities and 01 21 00 - Allowances for additional clarification. Per specification 01 21 00 – Cash Allowances, the cash allowance is to cover the cost associated with the service connection.

**Item 7:** Is the torque test for the helical pile covered under the cash allowance, or is the contractor required to carry it?

**Answer:** Contractor to carry price for this work. It is not included in the cash allowance. See specification 01 21 00 - Allowances for additional clarification.

**Item 8:** Are there any union requirements or restrictions applicable to this project?

**Answer:** No

**Item 9:** Is builder's risk insurance required for this project?

**Answer:** See GC 11.1 of the Supplementary Conditions.

**Item 10:** Does this project require any permits? If so, who is responsible for obtaining the permits and covering the associated costs?

**Answer:** See specification 01 41 00 – Regulatory Requirements section 2.02 for additional clarification.

**Item 11:** Are there any specific working hours or restrictions for this project that we need to adhere to?

**Answer:** Work restrictions are detailed in the specifications. Please see 01 14 00 - Work Restrictions for additional clarification.

**Item 12:** Due to the 25% tariff on materials from the US, we have received notifications from the supplier regarding potential price increases. We recommend including a contingency line to account for these potential cost adjustments.

**Answer:** Respondents are responsible for including all anticipated economic impacts and/or considerations in their pricing for the duration of the project.

**Item 13:** Would ONTC consider providing an extension to the RFP submission deadline / closing date?

**Answer:** ONTC would consider providing a reasonable extension to the RFP submission deadline. Please submit your request following the Q&A process outlined in the RFP.

**Item 14:** One of the uploaded documents is not readable. Please re-upload.

**Answer:** Please replace “Schedule\_3-A-2-Attachment\_Reference\_Documents\_Section\_5\_Other\_Policies\_and\_Information” of the RFP Package with “Schedule\_3-A-2\_Reference\_Documents\_Section\_5\_Addendum\_1”, which forms part of this Addendum No. 01.

**Item 15:** The Schedule 3-A-3 – Issue for Tender Drawings package is locked. Is ONTC able to provide an unlocked version of this Schedule?

**Answer:** The Schedule 3-A-3 – Issue for Tender Drawings package has not been locked by ONTC or the Engineering Consultant. This issue seems to have occurred when Schedule 3-A-3 was uploaded to Merx. As a solution, ONTC will share a link to the Schedule 3-A-3 Issue for Tender Drawings package upon receipt of a Respondent’s Schedule 2-B – Participation Registration Form.

This Addendum hereby forms part of the RFP.

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