

August 26, 2026

Addendum No. 02

File Reference Number: RFQ 2026 047

Title: Supply and Delivery of One (1) New Excavator

RE: Clarifications/Questions

QUESTIONS/CLARIFICATIONS:

Item 1: Would ONTC clarify what the primary daily duties of the excavator will be? Will the excavator be primarily utilized for excavation, ditching, material handling, tie and rail replacement, culvert work, general maintenance, lifting operations, or a combination of these activities?

Answer: ONTC confirms that the information requested in **Item 1** is detailed in Appendix B, RFQ Particulars A, under the Deliverables section. Respondents are responsible for reviewing the RFQ package in its entirety and ensuring their submission is based on the requirements and information provided therein.

Item 2: Would ONTC advise if lifting will be a significant portion of the machine's daily operations? If so, what types of materials or loads are typically expected to be handled?

Answer: ONTC confirms that the materials being handled consist of Railway supplies and equipment. Respondents are responsible for reviewing the RFQ package in its entirety and ensuring their submission is based on the requirements and information provided therein.

Item 3: Would ONTC advise if the excavator is intended as a replacement for an existing unit or an addition to the fleet? If it is replacing an existing machine, would you please advise the make and model currently in service?

Answer: ONTC advises that whether the excavator is intended as a replacement for an existing unit or an addition to the fleet is not relevant to the procurement requirements. Respondents are required to review and respond to the technical requirements and specifications as outlined in the RFQ package.

Item 4: Would ONTC provide additional information regarding the intended operations of the excavator that will require outriggers?

Answer: ONTC advises that Respondents are required to review and respond to the technical requirements and specifications as outlined in the RFQ package.

Item 5: Would ONTC consider a Rototilt R5 equipped with an S60 coupler as an approved equivalent to the requested Rototilt R6 with S70 coupler?

Answer: No, ONTC will not consider a Rototilt R5 equipped with an S60 coupler, as this would not be compatible with ONTC's current attachments.

Item 6: Would ONTC advise which friction-drive hi-rail system the excavator must be compatible with? Would a 9B or 9C friction-drive be acceptable?

Answer: ONTC advises that Respondents are required to review and respond to the technical requirements and specifications as outlined in the RFQ package.

Item 7: Would ONTC clarify whether joystick steering is considered to be a mandatory requirement or simply a preferred feature? If mandatory, would you please provide additional information regarding the operational requirement that necessitates this feature?

Answer: ONTC advises that joystick steering is a preferred feature.

Item 8: Would ONTC consider a rail drivetrain configuration, consisting of an oversized two-speed powershift transmission and axial piston drive motors with brake valves, as equivalent to the specified rear axle-mounted transmission arrangement?

Answer: Yes, ONTC will consider a rail drivetrain configuration, consisting of an oversized two-speed powershift transmission and axial piston drive motors with brake valves an acceptable equivalent.

Item 9: Would ONTC consider a purpose-built OEM rail excavator powered by a 4-cylinder, 4.5-litre engine acceptable, provided all operational and performance requirements are met or exceeded?

Answer: No, ONTC advises that the specification requires a minimum 165 hp, six-cylinder engine with a minimum 7L displacement.

Item 10: Would ONTC confirm if it would accept a 6.7 litre engine rather than a 7 litre engine?

Answer: ONTC advises that this would be acceptable only if the 165 hp rating is met.

Item 11: Would ONTC accept two pricing options, one configured with outriggers and one configured without outriggers, to allow evaluation based on the intended application?

Answer: No. ONTC advises that respondents may submit only one quotation and should not provide multiple pricing options for evaluation. Please refer to Part 3, Section 3.1.1 of the RFQ. Respondents are responsible for reviewing the technical requirements and specifications and proposing the configuration they believe best meets the stated requirements.

Item 12: Would ONTC accept a submission for a tracked excavator?

Answer: No, ONTC will only accept submissions for wheeled excavators.

Item 13: Would ONTC provide additional details concerning the air compressor with glad hands?
See below:

- System requirements (braking functions, railcar capacity, operating purpose, etc.)
- Available power sources (electrical / hydraulic)
- Air system requirements (pressure, flow, duty cycle, reservoir sizing, operating temperatures)
- Connection and plumbing requirements
- Controls, safety components, and monitoring requirements
- Regulatory and compliance requirements

Answer: ONTC advises that the air compressor system shall be supplied complete with glad hands and railway brake connections as specified in the RFQ. ONTC has not prescribed additional performance requirements and respondents are responsible for proposing a compressor system suitable for the intended railway maintenance application and compatible with the proposed equipment.

Item 14: Would ONTC advise if it would accept Grid Heater instead of Glow Plugs?

Answer: Yes, ONTC advises this would be acceptable.

Item 15: Would ONTC confirm if it would accept a centre-mounted transmission instead of a rear axle-mounted transmission?

Answer: ONTC advises that a centre-mounted transmission would be acceptable.

Item 16: Would ONTC confirm if a dedicated swing pump is a requirement?

Answer: No, ONTC confirms that a dedicated swing pump is not a requirement.

Item 17: Would ONTC advise if the operator seat must be “cooled”?

Answer: ONTC advises that the “cooled” operator seat is preferred however not mandatory.

Item 18: Would ONTC confirm if the Tiltrotator is to be direct-mount or sandwich?

Answer: ONTC confirms that the Tiltrotator is to be direct-mount and that a sandwich-mounted configuration will not be acceptable.

Item 19: Would ONTC confirm if the mulcher is to be mounted direct to stick end or to Tiltrotator?

Answer: ONTC confirms that the mulcher is to be mounted direct to Tiltrotator.

Item 20: Would ONTC confirm preferred warranty coverage?

Answer: ONTC has not specified a preferred warranty coverage. Respondents are required to provide details of the manufacturer's standard warranty, including coverage, term, exclusions, limitations, and warranty service process, as outlined in the RFQ. Respondents are also requested to identify any available extended warranty options and associated costs.

Item 21: Would ONTC confirm yearly anticipated expected running hours of the equipment?

Answer: ONTC anticipates approximately 1,000 to 2,000 annual running hours.

This Addendum hereby forms part of the RFQ.

Regards,

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