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October 14, 2021

612121-116450

ADDENDUM NO. 1

To Prospective Bidders and Others on:

DISTRICT 5
**Scheduled and Emergency Installation of Bridge Shielding
at Various Locations**

BIDS TO BE

OPENED AND READ:

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2021 at 2:00 P.M.

Transmitting revisions to the Contract Documents as follows:

RESPONSES TO

CONTRACTOR'S QUESTIONS:

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Please take note of the above and acknowledge Addendum No. 1 in your Expedite Proposal file before submitting your bid.

Very truly yours,

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Construction Contracts Engineer

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NEL Corporation email dated October 13, 2021:

Question #1: MassDOT has included a 14% M/WBE Participation Goal for this contract. The shielding work included in the proposal is self-performed by contractors that are qualified to install the shielding materials. The SDO Directory of Certified M/WBEs doesn't include any contractors that have the specific skills to install shielding and meet the commercially useful function requirement, NEL respectfully requests that MassDOT remove or reduce the M/WBE Participation Goal from this proposal.

Response #1: The goal assigned to Project 612121 will remain the same. If the bidder is unable to meet the established numerical goal, they will be required to submit documented good faith efforts. The bidder should follow MassDOT's MWBE Provisions 00178 Section XII.

Question #2: Item 994.041, Item 994.042 Expanded Metal Shielding

MassDOT has required that it is the contractor's responsibility to ensure that each bridge to receive shielding is capable of supporting the additional weight of the shielding and to prove that the bottom flange will support the weight of the shielding through calculations (paragraph 5, page A00801-60). MassDOT has removed this language on prior contracts. Will MassDOT confirm that the contractor is responsible for these calculations.

Response #2: Yes, the Contractor will be responsible for these calculations and other requirements, as specified in the special provisions.