

MASSACHUSETTS WATER RESOURCES AUTHORITY
DEER ISLAND - 33 TAFTS AVENUE
BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02128

NEEDHAM DEWATERING DRAINAGE LINE

CONTRACT NO. 8086

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS NO. 1

TO ALL BIDDERS:

All Bidders are hereby notified that the questions and answers noted below are in response to prospective bidders' questions.

Q1: Please confirm if pipe jacking is utilized by the Contractor that a casing pipe is NOT required.

A1: **Casing pipe is required for horizontal auger boring and pipe jacking as indicated in Section 02440 Auger Boring, Drawing C-501 Detail B, and MassDOT permit.**

Q2: Please confirm if a Builder's Risk policy is required for this project as noted in Section 00820A.

A2: **Yes. Refer to Section 00820A.**

Q3: If a firm is certified as both a MBE & WBE, can the firm's participation and contract value be credited toward both the MBE and WBE participation goals, or must the participation be applied to only one certification category for the goal.

A3: **No, participation must be applied to only one certification category for the goal. Refer to Section 00700, Paragraph 3.15, and Section 00810.**

Q4: Can an allowance item be added for the disposal of excess and/or unsuitable soil generated on the project? It is not possible to accurately quantify or estimate the level of contamination of excess or unsuitable soil to be generated on the project..

A4: **See Addendum No.1 Item 1-2.**

Q5: Please confirm that DMH-4 and DMH-8 are NOT Drop Manhole structures.

A5: **Confirmed. Refer to Drawing C-501 Detail F.**

- Q6:** Please provide clearer definition of the limits of the Mill and Overlay on the plans.
- A6:** See Addendum No.1 Item 1-11.
- Q7:** Please identify any existing service laterals within the section of 8" AC Sewer to be CIPP Lined.
- A7:** Refer to Town of Needham Charles Street Sewer plan #440 (N.B. 140 Pg. 5 dated July, 1964) included in Appendix B of the Contract Documents.
- Q8:** Please provide copies of Soil Boring Log B-GSS-466-PC.
- A8:** Refer to Appendix A of the Contract Documents. B-GSS-466-PC was a pavement core of which the corresponding photo and description are included in Appendix A-3.
- Q9:** On Plan Sheet C-103 there is a note pertaining to the existing 48" RCP drain at approximate Station 4+00 as follows" SUPPORT AND PROTECT 48" RCP DRAIN. PROVIDE PROVISIONS FOR SEALING LEAKING JOINTS.: Please clarify what scope of bidders are supposed to assume for sealing of leaking joints (e.g. how many, type of remedy, etc).
- A9:** See Addendum No.1 Item 1-13.
- Q10:** Is it expected that dewatering operations will require treatment for contamination, or only for turbidity? If contamination treatment is expected, can an allowance item be added to compensate for this work more accurately?
- A10:** Refer to Section 02240 – Construction Dewatering and Groundwater Control, and the groundwater background sampling data in Appendix A. Treatment for groundwater outside of soil-water separation, sediment tanks, and gravity settling tanks per Section 02240 – Construction Dewatering and Groundwater Control is not anticipated.

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