



INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES

Request for Tender

No. 2022-IS-10

2022 Smoke Testing, MH Inspection and CCTV Program

ADDENDUM #1

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This addendum shall be read in conjunction with and considered as an integral part of the Request for Tender (RFT). Revisions supersede the information contained in the original RFT. No consideration will be allowed for any extras due to any Proponents not being familiar with the contents of this Addendum. All other terms and conditions remain the same.

The following changes, additions, deletions, or clarifications are hereby made part of the RFT:

1. The following questions and answers clarifying questions received during the tender phase:

Q1. Certified cheque, plus Surety Bonding – Being that we are paid once we submit our reports and you accept them, it is not typical for us to provide either of these. As CCTV contractors, we have no sub contracted labour or materials that we could possibly default on. I understand that the Form of Tender provided is standard in the construction industry, however our CCTV operations function differently and in our experience this has not been a requirement.

A1. Surety bonding is to safeguard the owner's interest in case the contractor does not perform. Other contractors may use subcontractors; therefore, 10% holdback is required.

Q2. Sections 2 and 3 are also not typical for a CCTV contractor to complete as part of the reports. Typically our data would go to owners Engineer who would be able to complete the Assessment and Condition Evaluation. Last year you confirmed that sections 2 and 3 were not part of the tender, looking for confirmation again.

A2. Correct, the reports discussed in Section 2.0 and 3.0 will be completed by WSP. We require the CCTV contractor to produce the raw inspection data which will allow us to complete these reports.

Q3. There is a large section of traffic control on the Trans Canada highway. With a possible traffic plan needed on that highway and the high speeds, it will be costly. Will this be added into the per meter pricing? Or as a unit number on top?

A3. For simplicity, we would prefer that the contractor incorporate all coincidental costs into the lineal metre pricing for CCTV inspection. Alternatively, bidder may provide clarification of what costs will be associated with the traffic plan and traffic control.

Q4. As stated above, A large section of the CCTV portion is along the Trans Canada highway. Would the Owner/Town be alright with night work in those areas to help with traffic congestion?

A4. There will be no night work.

Q5. I have already walked the site and there were quite a few manholes that we unable to be located. This clause suggests we wait for instruction from the Town. Please confirm the Town will be preparing the sites by clearing the overgrown bush as well as removing any necessary landscaping to expose the manholes prior to our commencing the work. If not, please confirm we can add a line item for manhole location/clearing, or an hourly rate for extra work. We cannot “wait for instruction” when we get to these areas without hourly standby rates.

A5. Town will attempt to clear all manholes in advance of contractor assessing. The contractor will attempt to complete inspection of all manholes, as specified by GIS data and maps. If inspection cannot be completed, the contractor will add to a list of “incomplete inspections”, with a note on why the manhole could not be located or accessed. Following the completion of all inspections, excluding the manholes which could not be located, the contractor, the Town of Ladysmith, and WSP will have a meeting to discuss the inaccessible manholes and how to proceed.

Q6. Form of Tender, Schedule of Quantities and Prices:

Q6a. Optional work – Is it mandatory that we put pricing in for all optional work? And if not, does it hinder us at all in the selection process?

A6a. Please try your best to provide a price for all optional work, if possible. In terms of the selection process, the prices for Section A, B and C are most important.

Q6b. Protruding Pipe cutting – I’m hesitant to put a unit price on this without a larger written section stating liabilities. Some intruding connections are super straight forward and safe to cut, other are not. For instance if we find an old clay tile intruding connection in an old clay tile main, it is risky to put any kind of mechanical device into these mains. I want to know, if by mechanical means damage is caused, who is liable for repairs. If the answer is us, then I want to know we can refuse the ones we find concerning or a liability for us, without repercussions. We brought this up with you in the tender process last year, and you changed the tender to a per hour rather than per unit.

A6b. Concerns are understood and noted. We believe that protruding pipe cutting is listed in the SQ&P as per hour.

Q6c. Breakout Benching – Just want confirmation on what I take from the contract. The breakout benching would only be completed in a situation where we cannot access the pipe for CCTV inspection. I’m assuming if we can get access to the line from a different manhole that this would not have to be completed, correct? If we found a run where the channel/benching on both manholes at either end are too restricting to get the camera in, we would only have to perform the breakout benching on one, correct?

A6c. Correct. Breakout benching would generally be a last-resort option. In other projects where the channel/benching is too restricting, the contractor has attempted the run using a push camera, with assistance from the municipality’s operations team.

Q7. Notifying Residents –last year you said that the town was going to take it upon themselves to hand out notices for the smoke testing, is this the case again on this tender? If we are to take care of this, are we able to get a mailing list, or some way to mass send out notices? Or do we need to hand deliver all areas?

A7. The Town of Ladysmith will post notifications and hand-deliver notices.

Q8. Pipe material – the plans provided do not show pipe materials. Do you know the amounts of each type of pipe material in the CCTV section on the maps? Different materials are significantly more time consuming than others, ie. Clay tile.

A8. Please price according to lengths and diameter, without knowledge of pipe materials.

Q9. Smoke testing - will the meterage paid for smoke testing be based on your plans? There is no meterage in the maps shown, where will those numbers come from?

A9. The smoke testing metreage is provided in the SQ&P, on page 5 of the Form of Tender.

End of Addendum #1