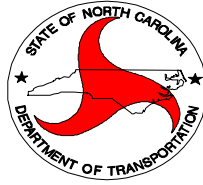


STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA  
**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**



**DIVISION 2 – BRIDGE MAINTENANCE**

**CONTRACT PROPOSAL**

**CONTRACT:** DB00071  
**WBS ELEMENT:** 17BP.2.P.6  
**COUNTIES:** Beaufort, Pitt  
**DESCRIPTION:** Cleaning and Painting of Bridges #28, #56, #75 in Beaufort County and #1, #14, #72, #89 in Pitt County  
**PRE-BID CONFERENCE:** Thursday, May 10, 2012  
**BID OPENING:** Wednesday, May 23, 2012

**NOTICE:**

ALL BIDDERS SHALL COMPLY WITH ALL APPLICABLE LAWS REGULATING THE PRACTICE OF GENERAL CONTRACTING AS CONTAINED IN CHAPTER 87 OF THE GENERAL STATUTES OF NORTH CAROLINA WHICH REQUIRES THE BIDDER TO BE LICENSED BY THE N.C. LICENSING BOARD FOR CONTRACTORS WHEN BIDDING ON ANY NON-FEDERAL AID PROJECT WHERE THE BID IS \$30,000 OR MORE, EXCEPT FOR CERTAIN SPECIALTY WORK AS DETERMINED BY THE LICENSING BOARD OR SBE PROJECT. BIDDERS SHALL ALSO COMPLY WITH ALL OTHER APPLICABLE LAWS REGULATING THE PRACTICES OF ELECTRICAL, PLUMBING, HEATING AND AIR CONDITIONING AND REFRIGERATION CONTRACTING AS CONTAINED IN CHAPTER 87 OF THE GENERAL STATUTES OF NORTH CAROLINA. NOT WITHSTANDING THESE LIMITATIONS ON BIDDING, THE BIDDER WHO IS AWARDED ANY PROJECT SHALL COMPLY WITH CHAPTER 87 OF THE GENERAL STATUTES OF NORTH CAROLINA FOR LICENSING REQUIREMENTS WITHIN 60 CALENDAR DAYS OF BID OPENING, REGARDLESS OF FUNDING SOURCES.

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NAME OF BIDDER

N.C. CONTRACTOR'S LICENSE NUMBER

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ADDRESS OF BIDDER

**RETURN BIDS TO:**

**N. C. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
Attn: Aaron Bullard, PE  
105 Pictolus Highway  
P O Box 1587  
Greenville, NC 27835-1587**

**Per items 11 - 13 of the instructions on page 3**

**PROPOSAL FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF  
CONTRACT No. DB00071 IN BEAUFORT & PITT COUNTIES, NORTH CAROLINA**

Date \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_

**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION,  
RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA**

The Bidder has carefully examined the location of the proposed work to be known as Contract No. **DB00071**; has carefully examined the plans and specifications, which are acknowledged to be part of the proposal, the special provisions, the proposal, the form of contract, and the forms of contract payment bond and contract performance bond; and thoroughly understands the stipulations, requirements and provisions. The undersigned bidder agrees to bound upon his execution of the bid and subsequent award to him in accordance with this proposal to provide the necessary contract payment bond and contract performance bond within fourteen days after the written notice of award is received by him. The undersigned Bidder further agrees to provide all necessary machinery, tools, labor, and other means of construction; and to do all the work and to furnish all materials, except as otherwise noted, necessary to perform and complete the said contract in accordance with *the 2012 Standard Specifications for Roads and Structures* by the dates(s) specified in the Project Special Provisions and in accordance with the requirements of the Engineer, and at the unit or lump sum prices, as the case may be, for the various items given on the sheets contained herein.

The Bidder shall provide and furnish all the materials, machinery, implements, appliances and tools, and perform the work and required labor to construct and complete State Highway Contract No. **DB00071** in **Beaufort and Pitt Counties**, for the unit or lump sum prices, as the case may be, bid by the Bidder in his bid and according to the proposal, plans, and specifications prepared by said Department, which proposal, plans, and specifications show the details covering this project, and hereby become a part of this contract.

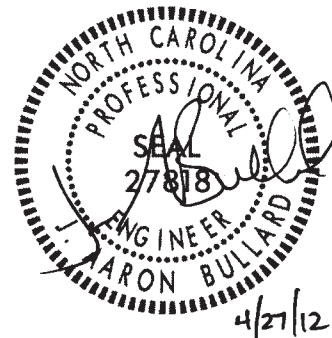
The published volume entitled *North Carolina Department of Transportation, Raleigh, Standard Specifications for Roads and Structures, January 2012* with all amendments and supplements thereto, is by reference incorporated into and made a part of this contract; that, except as herein modified, all the construction and work included in this contract is to be done in accordance with the specifications contained in said volume, and amendments and supplements thereto, under the direction of the Engineer.

If the proposal is accepted and the award is made, the contract is valid only when signed either by the Contract Officer or such other person as may be designated by the Secretary to sign for the Department of Transportation. The conditions and provisions herein cannot be changed except over the signature of the said Contract Officer.

The quantities shown in the itemized proposal for the project are considered to be approximate only and are given as the basis for comparison of bids. The Department of Transportation may increase or decrease the quantity of any item or portion of the work as may be deemed necessary or expedient.

An increase or decrease in the quantity of an item will not be regarded as sufficient ground for an increase or decrease in the unit prices, nor in the time allowed for the completion of the work, except as provided for the contract.

A bid bond is not required for this Contract.



Division Contract Officer

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# **INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS**

## **PLEASE READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY BEFORE PREPARING AND SUBMITTING YOUR BID.**

**All bids shall be prepared and submitted in accordance with the following requirements. Failure to comply with any requirement shall cause the bid to be considered irregular and shall be grounds for rejection of the bid.**

1. The bid sheet furnished by NCDOT with the proposal shall be used and shall not be altered in any manner. **DO NOT SEPARATE THE BID SHEET FROM THE PROPOSAL!**
2. All entries on the bid sheet, including signatures, shall be written in ink.
3. The Bidder shall submit a unit price for every item on the bid form. The unit prices for the various contract items shall be written in figures. Unit prices shall be limited to two (2) decimal places.
4. An amount bid shall be entered on the bid sheet for every item. The amount bid for each item shall be determined by multiplying each unit bid by the quantity for that item, and shall be written in figures in the "Amount Bid" column of the sheet.
5. The total amount bid shall be written in figures in the proper place on the bid sheet. The total amount shall be determined by adding the amounts bid for each item.
6. Changes in any entry shall be made by marking through the entry in ink and making the correct entry adjacent thereto in ink. A representative of the Bidder shall initial the change in ink.
7. The bid shall be properly executed. All bids shall show the following information:
  - a. Name of individual, firm, corporation, partnership, or joint venture submitting bid.
  - b. Name and signature of individual or representative submitting bid and position or title.
  - c. Name, signature, and position or title of witness.
  - d. Federal Identification Number (or Social Security Number of Individual)
  - e. Contractor's License Number (if Applicable)
8. Bids submitted by corporations shall bear the seal of the corporation.
9. The bid shall not contain any unauthorized additions, deletions, or conditional bids.
10. The bidder shall not add any provision reserving the right to accept or reject an award, or to enter into a contract pursuant to an award.
11. **THE PROPOSAL WITH THE BID SHEET STILL ATTACHED SHALL BE PLACED IN A SEALED ENVELOPE AND SHALL HAVE BEEN DELIVERED TO AND RECEIVED IN THE DIVISION TWO ENGINEER'S OFFICE AT 105 PACTOLUS HIGHWAY, GREENVILLE, NC 27834 BY 11:00 AM ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 23, 2012.**
12. The sealed bid must display the following statement on the front of the sealed envelope:

**ATTN: AARON BULLARD, PE  
QUOTATION FOR CLEANING AND PAINTING OF BRIDGES #28, #56, #75 IN BEAUFORT  
COUNTY AND #1, #14, #72, #89 IN PITT COUNTY  
TO BE OPENED AT 11:00 AM, WEDNESDAY, MAY 23, 2012**

13. If delivered by mail, the sealed envelope shall be placed in another sealed envelope and the outer envelope shall be addressed as follows:

**NC DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
ATTN: AARON BULLARD, PE  
PO BOX 1587  
GREENVILLE, NC 27835-1587**

## **AWARD OF CONTRACT**

**The award of the contract, if it be awarded, will be made to the lowest responsible bidder in accordance with Section 102 (excluding 102-10) of the Standard Specifications for Roads and Structures, 2012. The lowest responsible bidder will be notified that his bid has been accepted and that he has been awarded the contract. NCDOT reserves the right to reject all bids.**

**DIVISION CONTRACT**  
**PROJECT SPECIAL PROVISIONS - GENERAL**

**SCOPE OF WORK:**

This work shall consist of furnishing all labor, equipment, and materials to clean and paint the superstructure structural steel of the existing bridges. Work includes: removing, containment, and disposal of the existing paint system; preparation of the surface to be painted and applying the new paint system; traffic control, marking, & delineation; portable lighting; erosion and sediment control; seeding and mulching all grassed areas disturbed; and all incidental items necessary to complete the project as specified and shown on the plans. The Contractor shall furnish all labor, materials, and equipment necessary for the execution of said work.

All work and materials shall be in accordance with the provisions of the General Guidelines of this contract, the Project Special Provisions, the North Carolina Department of Transportation *Standard Specifications for Roads and Structures, January 2012*, the North Carolina Department of Transportation *Roadway Standard Drawings, January 2012*, and the current edition of the *Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD)*.

The Contractor shall keep himself fully informed of all Federal, State, and Local laws, ordinances, and regulations, and shall comply with the provisions of Section 107 of the *2012 Standard Specifications*.

**DESCRIPTION OF BRIDGES:**

**Bridge #28, Beaufort County:** The Bridge carries NC 92 over Bath Creek. The superstructure consists 5 lines of W30X99 I Beams on 7' centers. The bridge is 1052 feet in length with 36'-4" out-to-out deck width. Span 25 is 40 feet in length. The MVC is 12'. The existing paint system is green alkyd over red lead, and the estimated area to be cleaned and painted is **1,650 sq. ft.**

**Bridge #56, Beaufort County:** The Bridge carries US 17 over Latham Creek. The superstructure consists of 4 lines of W18X50 I Beams on various centers with a 12" H-pile crutch bent beam at mid span. The bridge is 22 feet in length with a 34' out-to-out deck width. The MVC is 3.5'. The existing paint system is green alkyd over red lead, and the estimated area to be cleaned and painted is **513 sq. ft.**

**Bridge #75, Beaufort County:** The Bridge carries NC 33 over Chocowinity Creek. The superstructure consists of 4 lines of W27X84 I Beams on various centers. The bridge is 169 feet in length, with a 33'-6" out-to-out deck width. The MVC is 6'. The existing paint system is aluminum over red lead, and the estimated area to be cleaned and painted is **5,130 sq. ft.**

**Bridge #1, Pitt County:** The Bridge carries NC 903 over a branch of Little Contentnea Creek. The superstructure consists 11 lines of W24X80 I Beams on various centers (15" for beams 2-3 and 9-10). The bridge is 49 feet in length with 27'-6" out-to-out deck width. The MVC is 12'. The existing paint system is aluminum over red lead, and the estimated area to be cleaned and painted is **3,660 sq. ft.**

**Bridge #14, Pitt County:** The Bridge carries US 258 BUS over Little Contentnea Creek. The superstructure consists of 6 lines of W18X96 I Beams on 5' centers. The bridge is 87 feet in length with a 29'-4" out-to-out deck width. The MVC is 10'. The existing paint system is aluminum over red lead, and the estimated area to be cleaned and painted is **3,421 sq. ft.**

**Bridge #72, Pitt County:** The Bridge carries NC 33 over Chicod Creek. The superstructure consists of 5 lines of W24X94 I Beams on 8' centers. The bridge is 135 feet in length, with a 38'-2" out-to-out deck

width. The MVC is 10'. The existing paint system is aluminum over red lead, and the estimated area to be cleaned and painted is **4,594 sq. ft.**

**Bridge #89, Pitt County:** The Bridge carries US 13 BUS over Grindle Creek. The superstructure consists of 17 lines of W18X50 I Beams on various centers with the addition of 6 12" H-Piles for a crutch bent substructure. The bridge is 45 feet in length, with a 33'-2" out-to-out deck width. The MVC is 10'. The existing paint system is aluminum over red lead, and the estimated area to be cleaned and painted is **4,605 sq. ft.**

Paints on this bridge (regardless of color), contain red lead and other hazardous constituents, and should be handled accordingly. All cleaning and surface preparation activities must prevent dispersion of debris into the environment.

Surface area shown is approximate and may vary from the actual quantity to be painted. The Contractor is responsible for determining the actual area to be painted.

**The Contractor shall notify the Engineer ten (10) working days in advance of the beginning work at each bridge location on this project.**

#### **MANDATORY PRE-BID CONFERENCE:**

In order to bid on this contract, all prospective bidders must attend the Pre-Bid Conference to be held on **Thursday, May 10, 2012 at 2:00 PM at the Division 2 Office located at 105 Pactolus Hwy, Greenville** (see location map). This meeting will begin promptly at 2:00 PM. Prospective bidders arriving after the 2:00 PM starting time will not be allowed to bid. The Conference will be conducted by Department personnel for the purpose of providing additional information about the project and to give all bidders an opportunity to ask any questions they may have. **Only bids received from the bidders who have attended and properly registered at the Pre-Bid Conference will be considered.**

Attendance at the Pre-Bid Conference will not meet the requirements of proper registration unless the individual attending has registered with the following information:

1. The individual writes his/her name on the official roster.
2. The individual writes in the name and address of the company he/she represents.
3. Only one company is shown as being represented by the individual attending.
4. The individual is an officer or permanent employee of the firm they represent.

#### **PURCHASE ORDER CONTRACT PREQUALIFICATION:**

Beginning **July 1, 2009**, any firm that wishes to perform work on Division Purchase Order Contracts as either the prime contractor or as a subcontractor on the project must be prequalified for the type of work they wish to perform. Firms that wish to bid on these projects as the prime contractor must be prequalified prior to submitting a bid. Firms that wish to perform as a subcontractor to the prime contractor must be prequalified prior to beginning work on the project.

For the purposes of prequalification, any firm that is currently prequalified as a prime or a subcontractor on central let projects for the appropriate work codes is considered eligible to work and/or bid on Purchase Order Contracts as long as other items such as bonding and license requirements for the contract are met.

Information regarding the requirements to become prequalified as a Purchase Order Contract contractor, including the application to become prequalified if you are not already prequalified, can be found at the following website: <http://www.ncdot.org/business/howtogetstarted/> .

**CONTRACT TIME AND LIQUIDATED DAMAGES (No Permits):**

(7-1-95) (Rev. 12-18-07)

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SP1 G05 B

The date of availability for this contract is the date the Contractor begins work but not before **April 15, 2013** or later than **June 1, 2013**.

The completion date for this contract is the date that is **One Hundred Twenty (120)** consecutive calendar days after and including the date of availability.

Except where otherwise provided by the contract, observation periods required by the contract will not be a part of the work to be completed by the completion date and/or intermediate contract times stated in the contract. The acceptable completion of the observation periods that extend beyond the final completion date shall be a part of the work covered by the performance and payment bonds.

The liquidated damages for this contract are **One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00)** per calendar day. At the preconstruction conference the Contractor shall declare his expected date for beginning work. Should the Contractor desire to revise this date after the preconstruction conference, he shall notify the Engineer in writing at least thirty (30) days prior to the revised date.

**INTERMEDIATE CONTRACT TIME NUMBER 1 AND LIQUIDATED DAMAGES:**

(2-20-07)

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SP1 G14 B

The Contractor shall not narrow or close a lane of traffic on **all roads**, detain and /or alter the traffic flow on or during holiday weekends, special events, or any other time when traffic is unusually heavy, including the following schedules:

**HOLIDAY AND HOLIDAY WEEKEND LANE CLOSURE RESTRICTIONS**

1. For **unexpected occurrence** that creates unusually high traffic volumes, as directed by the Engineer.
2. For **New Year's Day**, between the hours of **4:00 p.m.** December 31st and **8:00 a.m.** January 2nd. If New Year's Day is on a Friday, Saturday, Sunday or Monday, then until **8:00 a.m.** the following Tuesday.
3. For **Easter**, between the hours of **4:00 p.m.** Thursday and **8:00 a.m.** Monday.
4. For **Memorial Day**, between the hours of **4:00 p.m.** Friday and **8:00 a.m.** Tuesday.
5. For **Independence Day**, between the hours of **4:00 p.m.** the day before Independence Day and **8:00 a.m.** the day after Independence Day.

If **Independence Day** is on a Friday, Saturday, Sunday or Monday, then between the hours of **8:00 a.m.** the Thursday before Independence Day and **[hour]** the Tuesday after Independence Day.

6. For **Labor Day**, between the hours of **4:00 p.m.** Friday and **8:00 a.m.** Tuesday.



7. For **Thanksgiving Day**, between the hours of **4:00 p.m.** Tuesday and **8:00 a.m.** Monday.
8. For **Christmas**, between the hours of **4:00 p.m.** the Friday before the week of Christmas Day and **8:00 a.m.** the following Tuesday after the week of Christmas Day.

Holidays and holiday weekends shall include New Year's, Easter, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving, and Christmas. The Contractor shall schedule his work so that lane closures are not required during these periods, unless otherwise directed by the Engineer.

The time of availability for this intermediate contract work shall be the time the Contractor begins to install all traffic control devices for lane closures according to the time restrictions listed herein.

The completion time for this intermediate contract work shall be the time the Contractor is required to complete the removal of all traffic control devices for lane closures according to the time restrictions stated herein and place traffic in the existing traffic pattern.

The liquidated damages are **Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00)** per hour.

**SITE INVESTIGATION AND REPRESENTATION:**

The Contractor acknowledges that he has satisfied himself as to the nature of the work, and general and local conditions; particularly those bearing on transportation, availability of labor, State Regulations for safety and security of property, roads, and facilities required for the prosecution of the work, and all matters which can in any way affect the work, or cost thereof, under this contract. Any failure by the Contractor to acquaint himself with all the available information concerning these conditions will not relieve him from the responsibility for estimating properly the difficulty or cost of successfully performing the work.

**NO MAJOR CONTRACT ITEMS:**

(2-19-02) (Rev. 8-21-07) 104 SP1 G31

None of the items included in this contract will be major items.

**NO SPECIALTY ITEMS:**

(7-1-95) 108-6 SP1 G34

None of the items included in this contract will be specialty items (see Article 108-6 of the *2012 Standard Specifications*).

**MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE AND WOMEN BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (DIVISIONS):**

(10-16-07)(Rev. 1-17-12) 102-15(J) SP1 G67

**Description**

The purpose of this Special Provision is to carry out the North Carolina Department of Transportation's policy of ensuring nondiscrimination in the award and administration of contracts financed in whole or in part with State funds.

**Definitions**

*Additional MBE/WBE Subcontractors* - Any MBE/WBE submitted at the time of bid that will not be used to meet either the MBE or WBE goal. No submittal of a Letter of Intent is required.

*Committed MBE/WBE Subcontractor* - Any MBE/WBE submitted at the time of bid that is being used to meet either the MBE or WBE goal by submission of a Letter of Intent. Or any MBE or WBE used as a replacement for a previously committed MBE or WBE firm.

*Contract Goals Requirement* - The approved MBE and WBE participation at time of award, but not greater than the advertised contract goals for each.

*Goal Confirmation Letter* - Written documentation from the Department to the bidder confirming the Contractor's approved, committed MBE and WBE participation along with a listing of the committed MBE and WBE firms.

*Manufacturer* - A firm that operates or maintains a factory or establishment that produces on the premises, the materials or supplies obtained by the Contractor.

*MBE Goal* - A portion of the total contract, expressed as a percentage, that is to be performed by committed MBE subcontractor(s).

*Minority Business Enterprise (MBE)* - A firm certified as a Disadvantaged Minority-Owned Business Enterprise through the North Carolina Unified Certification Program.

*Regular Dealer* - A firm that owns, operates, or maintains a store, warehouse, or other establishment in which the materials or supplies required for the performance of the contract are bought, kept in stock, and regularly sold to the public in the usual course of business. A regular dealer engages in, as its principal business and in its own name, the purchase and sale or lease of the products in question. A regular dealer in such bulk items as steel, cement, gravel, stone, and petroleum products need not keep such products in stock, if it owns and operates distribution equipment for the products. Brokers and packagers are not regarded as manufacturers or regular dealers within the meaning of this section.

*North Carolina Unified Certification Program (NCUCP)* - A program that provides comprehensive services and information to applicants for MBE/WBE certification. The MBE/WBE program follows the same regulations as the federal Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) program in accordance with 49 CFR Part 26.

*United States Department of Transportation (USDOT)* - Federal agency responsible for issuing regulations (49 CFR Part 26) and official guidance for the DBE program.

*WBE Goal* - A portion of the total contract, expressed as a percentage, that is to be performed by committed WBE subcontractor(s).

*Women Business Enterprise (WBE)* - A firm certified as a Disadvantaged Women-Owned Business Enterprise through the North Carolina Unified Certification Program.

### **Forms and Websites Referenced in this Provision**

*Payment Tracking System* - On-line system in which the Contractor enters the payments made to MBE and WBE subcontractors who have performed work on the project.  
<https://apps.dot.state.nc.us/Vendor/PaymentTracking/>

*DBE-IS Subcontractor Payment Information* - Form for reporting the payments made to all MBE/WBE firms working on the project. This form is for paper bid projects only.  
<http://www.ncdot.org/doh/forms/files/DBE-IS.xls>

RF-1 *MBE/WBE Replacement Request Form* - Form for replacing a committed MBE or WBE.  
[https://apps.dot.state.nc.us/\\_includes/download/external.html?pdf=http%3A//www.ncdot.gov/doh/forms/files/RF-1.pdf](https://apps.dot.state.nc.us/_includes/download/external.html?pdf=http%3A//www.ncdot.gov/doh/forms/files/RF-1.pdf)

SAF *Subcontract Approval Form* - Form required for approval to sublet the contract.  
[http://www.ncdot.org/doh/operations/dp\\_chief\\_eng/constructionunit/saf.xls](http://www.ncdot.org/doh/operations/dp_chief_eng/constructionunit/saf.xls)

JC-1 *Joint Check Notification Form* - Form and procedures for joint check notification. The form acts as a written joint check agreement among the parties providing full and prompt disclosure of the expected use of joint checks.  
[https://apps.dot.state.nc.us/\\_includes/download/external.html?pdf=http%3A//www.ncdot.gov/doh/forms/files/JC-1.pdf](https://apps.dot.state.nc.us/_includes/download/external.html?pdf=http%3A//www.ncdot.gov/doh/forms/files/JC-1.pdf)

*Letter of Intent* - Form signed by the Contractor and the MBE/WBE subcontractor, manufacturer or regular dealer that affirms that a portion of said contract is going to be performed by the signed MBE/WBE for the amount listed at the time of bid.  
<http://www.ncdot.org/doh/preconstruct/ps/contracts/letterofintent.pdf>

*Listing of MBE and WBE Subcontractors Form* - Form for entering MBE/WBE subcontractors on a project that will meet this MBE and WBE goals. This form is for paper bids only.  
<http://www.ncdot.gov/doh/preconstruct/ps/word/MISC3.doc>

*Subcontractor Quote Comparison Sheet* - Spreadsheet for showing all subcontractor quotes in the work areas where MBEs and WBEs quoted on the project. This sheet is submitted with good faith effort packages.  
[http://www.ncdot.gov/business/ocs/goodfaith/excel/Ex\\_Subcontractor\\_Quote\\_Comparison.xls](http://www.ncdot.gov/business/ocs/goodfaith/excel/Ex_Subcontractor_Quote_Comparison.xls)

## **MBE and WBE Goal**

The following goals for participation by Minority Business Enterprises and Women Business Enterprises are established for this contract:

(A) Minority Business Enterprises **0.0** %

- (1) *If the MBE goal is more than zero*, the Contractor shall exercise all necessary and reasonable steps to ensure that MBEs participate in at least the percent of the contract as set forth above as the MBE goal.
- (2) *If the MBE goal is zero*, the Contractor shall make an effort to recruit and use MBEs during the performance of the contract. Any MBE participation obtained shall be reported to the Department.

(B) Women Business Enterprises **0.0** %

- (1) *If the WBE goal is more than zero*, the Contractor shall exercise all necessary and reasonable steps to ensure that WBEs participate in at least the percent of the contract as set forth above as the WBE goal.
- (2) *If the WBE goal is zero*, the Contractor shall make an effort to recruit and use WBEs during the performance of the contract. Any WBE participation obtained shall be reported to the Department.

## Directory of Transportation Firms (Directory)

Real-time information is available about firms doing business with the Department and firms that are certified through NCUCP in the Directory of Transportation Firms. Only firms identified in the Directory as MBE and WBE certified shall be used to meet the MBE and WBE goals respectively. The Directory can be found at the following link. <https://partner.ncdot.gov/VendorDirectory/default.html>

The listing of an individual firm in the directory shall not be construed as an endorsement of the firm's capability to perform certain work.

## Listing of MBE/WBE Subcontractors

At the time of bid, bidders shall submit all MBE and WBE participation that they anticipate to use during the life of the contract. Only those identified to meet the MBE goal and the WBE goal will be considered committed, even though the listing shall include both committed MBE/WBE subcontractors and additional MBE/WBE subcontractors. Any additional MBE/WBE subcontractor participation submitted at the time of bid will be used toward overall race-neutral goals. Only those firms with current MBE and WBE certification at the time of bid opening will be acceptable for listing in the bidder's submittal of MBE and WBE participation. The Contractor shall indicate the following required information:

**Blank forms will not be deemed to represent zero participation.** Bids submitted that do not have MBE and WBE participation indicated on the appropriate form will not be read publicly during the opening of bids. The Department will not consider these bids for award and the proposal will be rejected.

(A) *If either the MBE or WBE goal is more than zero,*

- (1) Bidders, at the time the bid proposal is submitted, shall submit a listing of MBE/WBE participation, including the names and addresses on *Listing of MBE and WBE Subcontractors* contained elsewhere in the contract documents in order for the bid to be considered responsive. Bidders shall indicate the total dollar value of the MBE and WBE participation for the contract.
- (2) If bidders have no MBE or WBE participation, they shall indicate this on the *Listing of MBE and WBE Subcontractors* by entering the word "None" or the number "0." This form shall be completed in its entirety.
- (3) The bidder shall be responsible for ensuring that the MBE/WBE is certified at the time of bid by checking the Directory of Transportation Firms. If the firm is not certified at the time of the bid-letting, that MBE's or WBE's participation will not count towards achieving the corresponding goal.

(B) *If either the MBE or WBE goal is zero,* bidders, at the time the bid proposal is submitted, shall enter the word "None"; or the number "0"; or if there is participation, add the value on the *Listing of MBE and WBE Subcontractors* contained elsewhere in the contract documents.

## MBE or WBE Prime Contractor

When a certified MBE or WBE firm bids on a contract that contains MBE and WBE goals, the firm is responsible for meeting the goals or making good faith efforts to meet the goals, just like any other bidder. In most cases, a MBE or WBE bidder on a contract will meet one of the goals by virtue of the work it performs on the contract with its own forces. However, all the work that is performed by the

MBE or WBE bidder and any other similarly certified subcontractors will count toward the goal. The MBE or WBE bidder shall list itself along with any MBE or WBE subcontractors, if any, in order to receive credit toward the goals.

For example, on a proposed contract, the WBE goal is 10%, and the MBE goal is 8%. A WBE bidder puts in a bid where they will perform 40% of the contract work and have a WBE subcontractor which will perform another 5% of the work. Together the two WBE firms submit on the *Listing of MBE and WBE Subcontractors* a value of 45% of the contract which fulfills the WBE goal. The 8% MBE goal shall be obtained through MBE participation with MBE certified subcontractors or documented through a good faith effort. It should be noted that you cannot combine the two goals to meet an overall value. The two goals shall remain separate.

MBE/WBE prime contractors shall also follow Sections A or B listed under *Listing of MBE/WBE Subcontractors* just as a non-MBE/WBE bidder would.

### **Written Documentation – Letter of Intent**

The bidder shall submit written documentation for each MBE/WBE that will be used to meet the MBE and WBE goals of the contract, indicating the bidder's commitment to use the MBE/WBE in the contract. This documentation shall be submitted on the Department's form titled *Letter of Intent*.

The documentation shall be received in the office of the Division Contract Officer no later than 12:00 noon of the sixth calendar day following opening of bids, unless the sixth day falls on Saturday, Sunday or an official state holiday. In that situation, it is due in the office of the Division Contract Officer no later than 12:00 noon on the next official state business day.

If the bidder fails to submit the Letter of Intent from each committed MBE and WBE to be used toward the MBE and WBE goals, or if the form is incomplete (i.e. both signatures are not present), the MBE/WBE participation will not count toward meeting the MBE/WBE goal. If the lack of this participation drops the commitment below either the MBE or WBE goal, the Contractor shall submit evidence of good faith efforts for the goal not met, completed in its entirety, to the Division Contract Officer no later than 12:00 noon of the eighth calendar day following opening of bids, unless the eighth day falls on Saturday, Sunday or an official state holiday. In that situation, it is due in the office of the Division Contract Officer no later than 12:00 noon on the next official state business day.

### **Submission of Good Faith Effort**

If the bidder fails to meet or exceed either the MBE or the WBE goal, the apparent lowest responsive bidder shall submit to the Department documentation of adequate good faith efforts made to reach that specific goal(s).

One complete set and 3 copies of this information shall be received in the office of the Division Contract Officer no later than 12:00 noon of the sixth calendar day following opening of bids, unless the sixth day falls on Saturday, Sunday or an official state holiday. In that situation, it is due in the office of the Division Contract Officer no later than 12:00 noon on the next official state business day.

Note: Where the information submitted includes repetitious solicitation letters, it will be acceptable to submit a representative letter along with a distribution list of the firms that were solicited. Documentation of MBE/WBE quotations shall be a part of the good faith effort submittal. This documentation may include written subcontractor quotations, telephone log notations of verbal quotations, or other types of quotation documentation.

## Consideration of Good Faith Effort for Projects with MBE/WBE Goals More Than Zero

Adequate good faith efforts mean that the bidder took all necessary and reasonable steps to achieve the goal which, by their scope, intensity, and appropriateness, could reasonably be expected to obtain sufficient MBE/WBE participation. Adequate good faith efforts also mean that the bidder actively and aggressively sought MBE/WBE participation. Mere *pro forma* efforts are not considered good faith efforts.

The Department will consider the quality, quantity, and intensity of the different kinds of efforts a bidder has made. Listed below are examples of the types of actions a bidder will take in making a good faith effort to meet the goals and are not intended to be exclusive or exhaustive, nor is it intended to be a mandatory checklist.

- (A) Soliciting through all reasonable and available means (e.g. attendance at pre-bid meetings, advertising and/or written notices through the use of the NCDOT Directory of Transportation Firms) the interest of all certified MBEs/WBEs who have the capability to perform the work of the contract. The bidder must solicit this interest within at least 10 days prior to bid opening to allow the MBEs/WBEs to respond to the solicitation. Solicitation shall provide the opportunity to MBEs/WBEs within the Division and surrounding Divisions where the project is located. The bidder must determine with certainty if the MBEs/WBEs are interested by taking appropriate steps to follow up initial solicitations.
- (B) Selecting portions of the work to be performed by MBEs/WBEs in order to increase the likelihood that the MBE and WBE goals will be achieved. This includes, where appropriate, breaking out contract work items into economically feasible units to facilitate MBE/WBE participation, even when the prime contractor might otherwise prefer to perform these work items with its own forces.
- (C) Providing interested MBEs/WBEs with adequate information about the plans, specifications, and requirements of the contract in a timely manner to assist them in responding to a solicitation.
- (D)
  - (1) Negotiating in good faith with interested MBEs/WBEs. It is the bidder's responsibility to make a portion of the work available to MBE/WBE subcontractors and suppliers and to select those portions of the work or material needs consistent with the available MBE/WBE subcontractors and suppliers, so as to facilitate MBE/WBE participation. Evidence of such negotiation includes the names, addresses, and telephone numbers of MBEs/WBEs that were considered; a description of the information provided regarding the plans and specifications for the work selected for subcontracting; and evidence as to why additional agreements could not be reached for MBEs/WBEs to perform the work.
  - (2) A bidder using good business judgment would consider a number of factors in negotiating with subcontractors, including MBE/WBE subcontractors, and would take a firm's price and capabilities as well as contract goals into consideration. However, the fact that there may be some additional costs involved in finding and using MBEs/WBEs is not in itself sufficient reason for a bidder's failure to meet the contract MBE or WBE goals, as long as such costs are reasonable. Also, the ability or desire of a prime contractor to perform the work of a contract with its own organization does not relieve the bidder of the responsibility to make good faith efforts. Bidding contractors are not, however, required to accept higher quotes from MBEs/WBEs if the price difference is excessive or unreasonable.

- (E) Not rejecting MBEs/WBEs as being unqualified without sound reasons based on a thorough investigation of their capabilities. The bidder's standing within its industry, membership in specific groups, organizations, or associates and political or social affiliations (for example, union vs. non-union employee status) are not legitimate causes for the rejection or non-solicitation of bids in the bidder's efforts to meet the project goal.
- (F) Making efforts to assist interested MBEs/WBEs in obtaining bonding, lines of credit, or insurance as required by the recipient or bidder.
- (G) Making efforts to assist interested MBEs/WBEs in obtaining necessary equipment, supplies, materials, or related assistance or services.
- (H) Effectively using the services of available minority/women community organizations; minority/women contractors' groups; Federal, State, and local minority/women business assistance offices; and other organizations as allowed on a case-by-case basis to provide assistance in the recruitment and placement of MBEs/WBEs. Contact within 7 days from the bid opening NCDOT's Business Development Manager in the Business Opportunity and Work Force Development Unit to give notification of the bidder's inability to get MBE or WBE quotes.
- (I) Any other evidence that the bidder submits which shows that the bidder has made reasonable good faith efforts to meet the MBE and WBE goal.

In addition, the Department may take into account the following:

- (1) Whether the bidder's documentation reflects a clear and realistic plan for achieving the MBE and WBE goals.
- (2) The bidders' past performance in meeting the MBE and WBE goals.
- (3) The performance of other bidders in meeting the MBE and WBE goals. For example, when the apparent successful bidder fails to meet the goals, but others meet it, you may reasonably raise the question of whether, with additional reasonable efforts the apparent successful bidder could have met the goals. If the apparent successful bidder fails to meet the MBE and WBE goals, but meets or exceeds the average MBE and WBE participation obtained by other bidders, the Department may view this, in conjunction with other factors, as evidence of the apparent successful bidder having made a good faith effort.

If the Department does not award the contract to the apparent lowest responsive bidder, the Department reserves the right to award the contract to the next lowest responsive bidder that can satisfy to the Department that the MBE and WBE goals can be met or that an adequate good faith effort has been made to meet the MBE and WBE goals.

### **Non-Good Faith Appeal**

The Division Contract Officer will notify the contractor verbally and in writing of non-good faith. A contractor may appeal a determination of non-good faith made by the Goal Compliance Committee. If a contractor wishes to appeal the determination made by the Committee, they shall provide written notification to the Division Contract Officer. The appeal shall be made within 2 business days of notification of the determination of non-good faith.

## Counting MBE/WBE Participation Toward Meeting MBE/WBE Goals

### (A) Participation

The total dollar value of the participation by a committed MBE/WBE will be counted toward the contract goal requirements. The total dollar value of participation by a committed MBE/WBE will be based upon the value of work actually performed by the MBE/WBE and the actual payments to MBE/WBE firms by the Contractor.

### (B) Joint Checks

Prior notification of joint check use shall be required when counting MBE/WBE participation for services or purchases that involves the use of a joint check. Notification shall be through submission of Form JC-1 (*Joint Check Notification Form*) and the use of joint checks shall be in accordance with the Department's Joint Check Procedures.

### (C) Subcontracts (Non-Trucking)

A MBE/WBE may enter into subcontracts. Work that a MBE subcontracts to another MBE firm may be counted toward the MBE contract goal requirement. The same holds for work that a WBE subcontracts to another WBE firm. Work that a MBE subcontracts to a non-MBE firm does not count toward the MBE contract goal requirement. Again, the same holds true for the work that a WBE subcontracts to a non-WBE firm. If a MBE or WBE contractor or subcontractor subcontracts a significantly greater portion of the work of the contract than would be expected on the basis of standard industry practices, it shall be presumed that the MBE or WBE is not performing a commercially useful function. The MBE/WBE may present evidence to rebut this presumption to the Department. The Department's decision on the rebuttal of this presumption may be subject to review by the Office of Inspector General, NCDOT.

### (D) Joint Venture

When a MBE or WBE performs as a participant in a joint venture, the Contractor may count toward its contract goal requirement a portion of the total value of participation with the MBE or WBE in the joint venture, that portion of the total dollar value being a distinct clearly defined portion of work that the MBE or WBE performs with its forces.

### (E) Suppliers

A contractor may count toward its MBE or WBE requirement 60 percent of its expenditures for materials and supplies required to complete the contract and obtained from a MBE or WBE regular dealer and 100 percent of such expenditures from a MBE or WBE manufacturer.

### (F) Manufacturers and Regular Dealers

A contractor may count toward its MBE or WBE requirement the following expenditures to MBE/WBE firms that are not manufacturers or regular dealers:

- (1) The fees or commissions charged by a MBE/WBE firm for providing a *bona fide* service, such as professional, technical, consultant, or managerial services, or for providing bonds or insurance specifically required for the performance of a DOT-assisted contract,



provided the fees or commissions are determined to be reasonable and not excessive as compared with fees and commissions customarily allowed for similar services.

- (2) With respect to materials or supplies purchased from a MBE/WBE, which is neither a manufacturer nor a regular dealer, count the entire amount of fees or commissions charged for assistance in the procurement of the materials and supplies, or fees or transportation charges for the delivery of materials or supplies required on a job site (but not the cost of the materials and supplies themselves), provided the fees are determined to be reasonable and not excessive as compared with fees customarily allowed for similar services.

### **Commercially Useful Function**

#### **(A) MBE/WBE Utilization**

The Contractor may count toward its contract goal requirement only expenditures to MBEs and WBEs that perform a commercially useful function in the work of a contract. A MBE/WBE performs a commercially useful function when it is responsible for execution of the work of the contract and is carrying out its responsibilities by actually performing, managing, and supervising the work involved. To perform a commercially useful function, the MBE/WBE shall also be responsible with respect to materials and supplies used on the contract, for negotiating price, determining quality and quantity, ordering the material and installing (where applicable) and paying for the material itself. To determine whether a MBE/WBE is performing a commercially useful function, the Department will evaluate the amount of work subcontracted, industry practices, whether the amount the firm is to be paid under the contract is commensurate with the work it is actually performing and the MBE/WBE credit claimed for its performance of the work, and any other relevant factors.

#### **(B) MBE/WBE Utilization in Trucking**

The following factors will be used to determine if a MBE or WBE trucking firm is performing a commercially useful function:

- (1) The MBE/WBE shall be responsible for the management and supervision of the entire trucking operation for which it is responsible on a particular contract, and there shall not be a contrived arrangement for the purpose of meeting the MBE or WBE goal.
- (2) The MBE/WBE shall itself own and operate at least one fully licensed, insured, and operational truck used on the contract.
- (3) The MBE/WBE receives credit for the total value of the transportation services it provides on the contract using trucks it owns, insures, and operates using drivers it employs.
- (4) The MBE may subcontract the work to another MBE firm, including an owner-operator who is certified as a MBE. The same holds true that a WBE may subcontract the work to another WBE firm, including an owner-operator who is certified as a WBE. When this occurs, the MBE or WBE who subcontracts work receives credit for the total value of the transportation services the subcontracted MBE or WBE provides on the contract. It should be noted that every effort shall be made by MBE and WBE contractors to subcontract to the same certification (i.e., MBEs to MBEs and WBEs to WBEs), in order

to fulfill the goal requirement. This, however, may not always be possible due to the limitation of firms in the area. If the MBE or WBE firm shows a good faith effort has been made to reach out to similarly certified transportation service providers and there is no interest or availability, and they can get assistance from other certified providers, the Engineer will not hold the prime liable for meeting the goal.

- (5) The MBE/WBE may also subcontract the work to a non-MBE/WBE firm, including from an owner-operator. The MBE/WBE who subcontracts the work to a non-MBE/WBE is entitled to credit for the total value of transportation services provided by the non-MBE/WBE subcontractor not to exceed the value of transportation services provided by MBE/WBE-owned trucks on the contract. Additional participation by non-MBE/WBE subcontractors receives credit only for the fee or commission it receives as a result of the subcontract arrangement. The value of services performed under subcontract agreements between the MBE/WBE and the Contractor will not count towards the MBE/WBE contract requirement.
- (6) A MBE/WBE may lease truck(s) from an established equipment leasing business open to the general public. The lease must indicate that the MBE/WBE has exclusive use of and control over the truck. This requirement does not preclude the leased truck from working for others during the term of the lease with the consent of the MBE/WBE, so long as the lease gives the MBE/WBE absolute priority for use of the leased truck. This type of lease may count toward the MBE/WBE's credit as long as the driver is under the MBE/WBE's payroll.
- (7) Subcontracted/leased trucks shall display clearly on the dashboard the name of the MBE/WBE that they are subcontracted/leased to and their own company name if it is not identified on the truck itself. Magnetic door signs are not permitted.

### **MBE/WBE Replacement**

When a Contractor has relied on a commitment to a MBE or WBE firm (or an approved substitute MBE or WBE firm) to meet all or part of a contract goal requirement, the contractor shall not terminate the MBE/WBE for convenience. This includes, but is not limited to, instances in which the Contractor seeks to perform the work of the terminated subcontractor with another MBE/WBE subcontractor, a non-MBE/WBE subcontractor, or with the Contractor's own forces or those of an affiliate. A MBE/WBE may only be terminated after receiving the Engineer's written approval based upon a finding of good cause for the termination.

All requests for replacement of a committed MBE/WBE firm shall be submitted to the Engineer for approval on Form RF-1 (*Replacement Request*). If the Contractor fails to follow this procedure, the Contractor may be disqualified from further bidding for a period of up to 6 months.

The Contractor shall comply with the following for replacement of a committed MBE/WBE:

#### **(A) Performance Related Replacement**

When a committed MBE is terminated for good cause as stated above, an additional MBE that was submitted at the time of bid may be used to fulfill the MBE commitment. The same holds true if a committed WBE is terminated for good cause, an additional WBE that was submitted at the time of bid may be used to fulfill the WBE goal. A good faith effort will only be required for

removing a committed MBE/WBE if there were no additional MBEs/WBEs submitted at the time of bid to cover the same amount of work as the MBE/WBE that was terminated.

If a replacement MBE/WBE is not found that can perform at least the same amount of work as the terminated MBE/WBE, the Contractor shall submit a good faith effort documenting the steps taken. Such documentation shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

- (1) Copies of written notification to MBEs/WBEs that their interest is solicited in contracting the work defaulted by the previous MBE/WBE or in subcontracting other items of work in the contract.
  - (2) Efforts to negotiate with MBEs/WBEs for specific subbids including, at a minimum:
    - (a) The names, addresses, and telephone numbers of MBEs/WBEs who were contacted.
    - (b) A description of the information provided to MBEs/WBEs regarding the plans and specifications for portions of the work to be performed.
  - (3) A list of reasons why MBE/WBE quotes were not accepted.
  - (4) Efforts made to assist the MBEs/WBEs contacted, if needed, in obtaining bonding or insurance required by the Contractor.
- (B) Decertification Replacement
- (1) When a committed MBE/WBE is decertified by the Department after the SAF (*Subcontract Approval Form*) has been received by the Department, the Department will not require the Contractor to solicit replacement MBE/WBE participation equal to the remaining work to be performed by the decertified firm. The participation equal to the remaining work performed by the decertified firm will count toward the contract goal requirement.
  - (2) When a committed MBE/WBE is decertified prior to the Department receiving the SAF (*Subcontract Approval Form*) for the named MBE/WBE firm, the Contractor shall take all necessary and reasonable steps to replace the MBE/WBE subcontractor with another similarly certified MBE/WBE subcontractor to perform at least the same amount of work to meet the MBE/WBE goal requirement. If a MBE/WBE firm is not found to do the same amount of work, a good faith effort must be submitted to NCDOT (see A herein for required documentation).

### **Changes in the Work**

When the Engineer makes changes that result in the reduction or elimination of work to be performed by a committed MBE/WBE, the Contractor will not be required to seek additional participation. When the Engineer makes changes that result in additional work to be performed by a MBE/WBE based upon the Contractor's commitment, the MBE/WBE shall participate in additional work to the same extent as the MBE/WBE participated in the original contract work.

When the Engineer makes changes that result in extra work, which has more than a minimal impact on the contract amount, the Contractor shall seek additional participation by MBEs/WBEs unless otherwise approved by the Engineer.

When the Engineer makes changes that result in an alteration of plans or details of construction, and a portion or all of the work had been expected to be performed by a committed MBE/WBE, the Contractor shall seek participation by MBEs/WBEs unless otherwise approved by the Engineer.

When the Contractor requests changes in the work that result in the reduction or elimination of work that the Contractor committed to be performed by a MBE/WBE, the Contractor shall seek additional participation by MBEs/WBEs equal to the reduced MBE/WBE participation caused by the changes.

### **Reports and Documentation**

A SAF (*Subcontract Approval Form*) shall be submitted for all work which is to be performed by a MBE/WBE subcontractor. The Department reserves the right to require copies of actual subcontract agreements involving MBE/WBE subcontractors.

When using transportation services to meet the contract commitment, the Contractor shall submit a proposed trucking plan in addition to the SAF. The plan shall be submitted prior to beginning construction on the project. The plan shall include the names of all trucking firms proposed for use, their certification type(s), the number of trucks owned by the firm, as well as the individual truck identification numbers, and the line item(s) being performed.

Within 30 calendar days of entering into an agreement with a MBE/WBE for materials, supplies or services, not otherwise documented by the SAF as specified above, the Contractor shall furnish the Engineer a copy of the agreement. The documentation shall also indicate the percentage (60% or 100%) of expenditures claimed for MBE/WBE credit.

### **Reporting Minority and Women Business Enterprise Participation**

The Contractor shall provide the Engineer with an accounting of payments made to all MBE and WBE firms, including material suppliers and contractors at all levels (prime, subcontractor, or second tier subcontractor). This accounting shall be furnished to the Engineer for any given month by the end of the following month. Failure to submit this information accordingly may result in the following action:

- (A) Withholding of money due in the next partial pay estimate; or
- (B) Removal of an approved contractor from the prequalified bidders' list or the removal of other entities from the approved subcontractors list.

While each contractor (prime, subcontractor, 2nd tier subcontractor) is responsible for accurate accounting of payments to MBEs/WBEs, it shall be the prime contractor's responsibility to report all monthly and final payment information in the correct reporting manner.

Failure on the part of the Contractor to submit the required information in the time frame specified may result in the disqualification of that contractor and any affiliate companies from further bidding until the required information is submitted.

Failure on the part of any subcontractor to submit the required information in the time frame specified may result in the disqualification of that contractor and any affiliate companies from being approved for further work on future projects until the required information is submitted.

Contractors reporting transportation services provided by non-MBE/WBE lessees shall evaluate the value of services provided during the month of the reporting period only.

At any time, the Engineer can request written verification of subcontractor payments.

The Contractor shall report the accounting of payments on the Department's DBE-IS (*Subcontractor Payment Information*) with each invoice. Invoices will not be processed for payment until the DBE-IS is received.

**Failure to Meet Contract Requirements**

Failure to meet contract requirements in accordance with Subarticle 102-15(J) of the *2012 Standard Specifications* may be cause to disqualify the Contractor.

**BIDS:**

In accordance with GS 136-28.1(b), if the total bid amount of the contract exceeds \$1,200,000.00, the bid will not be considered for award.

**CONTRACT PAYMENT AND PERFORMANCE BOND:**

A performance bond in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the contract amount, conditioned upon the faithful performance of the contract in accordance with specifications and conditions of the contract is required for this project. Such bond shall be solely for the protection of the North Carolina Department of Transportation and the State of North Carolina.

A payment bond in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the contract amount, conditioned upon the prompt payment for all labor or materials for which the Contractor, or his subcontractors, are liable is required for this project. The payment bond shall be solely for the protection of persons or firms furnishing materials or performing labor for this contract for which the Contractor is liable.

The successful bidder, within ten (10) days after notice of award, shall provide the Department with a contract payment bond and a contract performance bond each in an amount equal to 100 percent of the amount of the contract.

**PAYMENT:**

The Contractor may submit a request for partial payment on a monthly basis, or other interval as approved by the Engineer. Compensation for all pay items shall be in accordance with the *Standard Specifications*. The amount of partial payments will be based on the work accomplished and accepted as the last day of the approved pay period.

Request for payment shall be made by Contractor's Invoice submitted to:

**NC Department of Transportation  
Attn: Mr. John Hughes  
PO Box 371  
New Bern, NC 28560**

All invoice items and unit costs shall correspond to contract pay items. In the event of error or discrepancy in items or unit costs, the Department may return the invoice to the Contractor for correction.

The attached Form DBE-IS must be included with all requests for payment in order for that request to be processed. Information included on this form shall reflect actual payments made to DBE/MBE/WBE

firms. A responsible fiscal officer of the payee firm who can attest to the date and amounts of the payments shall certify that the accounting is correct. One hundred percent (100%) payment shall be made after successful completion of the work as verified by the final inspection.

**EXTENSION OF CONTRACT TIME:**

Failure on the part of the Contractor to furnish bonds or certifications or to satisfy preliminary requirements necessary to issue the purchase order will not constitute grounds for extension of the contract time. If the Contractor has fulfilled all preliminary requirements for the issuance of a purchase order, and the purchase order authorization is not available by the date of availability, the Contractor shall be granted an extension equal to the number of calendar days the purchase order authorization is delayed after the date of availability.

**CLAIMS FOR ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION OR EXTENSION OF TIME:**

Any claims for additional compensation and/or extensions of the completion date shall be submitted to the Division Engineer with detailed justification within thirty (30) days after receipt of the final invoice payment. The failure of the Contractor to submit the claim(s) within thirty (30) days shall be a bar to recovery.

**NOTES TO CONTRACTOR:**

The Contractor must cooperate with State forces working within the limits of this project as directed by the Engineer.

The Department reserves the right to make, at any time during the progress of the work, such alterations in plans or the details of construction as may be found necessary or desirable by the Engineer to complete the project.

The Contractor shall maintain access to driveways for all residents and property owners throughout the life of the project.

The Contractor shall be responsible for maintaining the project as directed by Section 104-10 in the *Standard Specifications*.

The Contractor shall be responsible for returning any disturbed areas back to its original condition. This work may include, but will not be limited to, grading, seeding and mulching, etc. All materials and labor necessary to perform the above mentioned work will be considered incidental to the various contract items and no direct payment will be made for these activities.

The quantities shown in the itemized proposal for the project are considered to be approximate only and are given as the basis for comparison of bids. The Department of Transportation may increase or decrease the quantity of any item or portion of the work as may be deemed necessary or expedient. An increase or decrease in the quantity of any item will not be regarded as sufficient ground for an increase or decrease in the unit prices, nor in the time allowed for the completion of the work, except as provided for the contract.

**MAINTENANCE OF THE PROJECT:**

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Revise the *2012 Standard Specifications* as follows:

**Page 1-35, Article 104-10 Maintenance of the Project, line 25**, add the following after the first sentence of the first paragraph:

All guardrail/guiderail within the project limits shall be included in this maintenance.

**Page 1-35, Article 104-10 Maintenance of the Project, line 30**, add the following as the last sentence of the first paragraph:

The Contractor shall perform weekly inspections of guardrail and guiderail and shall report damages to the Engineer on the same day of the weekly inspection. *Where damaged guardrail or guiderail is repaired or replaced as a result of maintaining the project in accordance with this article*, such repair or replacement shall be performed within 7 consecutive calendar days of such inspection report.

**Page 1-35, Article 104-10 Maintenance of the Project, lines 42-44**, replace the last sentence of the last paragraph with the following:

The Contractor will not be directly compensated for any maintenance operations necessary, except for maintenance of guardrail/guiderail, as this work will be considered incidental to the work covered by the various contract items. The provisions of Article 104-7, Extra Work, and Article 104-8, Compensation and Record Keeping will apply to authorized maintenance of guardrail/guiderail. Performance of weekly inspections of guardrail/guiderail, and the damage reports required as described above, will be considered to be an incidental part of the work being paid for by the various contract items.

**COOPERATION BETWEEN CONTRACTORS:**

In accordance with Section 105-7 of the *Standard Specifications*, the Department reserves the right at any time to contract for and perform other or additional work on or near the work covered by the contract.

**INSPECTION:**

All work shall be subject to inspection by the Engineer at any time. Routinely, the Engineer will make periodic inspections of the completed work. It will be the responsibility of the Contractor to keep the Engineer informed of his proposed work plan and to submit written reports of work accomplished on a frequency to be determined by the Engineer.

**POSTED WEIGHT LIMITS:**

The Contractor's attention is directed to the fact that many Primary and Secondary Roads and bridges are posted with weight limits less than the legal limit. The Contractor will not be allowed to exceed the posted weight limits in transporting materials and/or equipment to the projects, unless otherwise approved by the Engineer. The Contractor should make a thorough examination of all projects and haul routes.

**PROSECUTION OF WORK:**

The Contractor will be required to prosecute the work in a continuous and uninterrupted manner from the time he begins the work until completion and final acceptance of the project. The Contractor will not be

permitted to suspend his operations except for reasons beyond his control or except where the Engineer has authorized a suspension of the Contractor's operations in writing.

In the event that the Contractor's operations are suspended in violation of the above provisions, the sum of **One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00)** will be charged the Contractor for each and every calendar day that such suspension takes place. The said amount is hereby agreed upon as liquidated damages due to extra engineering and maintenance costs and due to increased public hazard resulting from a suspension of the work. Liquidated damages chargeable due to suspension of the work will be additional to any liquidated damages that may become chargeable due to failure to complete the work on time.

#### **PRE-CONSTRUCTION CONFERENCE:**

In accordance with Section 108-3 of the *Standard Specifications*, a pre-construction conference will be required prior to beginning work. This conference will be held at a time as requested by the Contractor and agreed upon by the Engineer. ***The Contractor will not be allowed to begin any activities prior to the conference***

#### **CONTROL OF EROSION, SILT, AND POLLUTION:**

Control of erosion, siltation, and pollution shall meet the requirements of Section 107-12 of the *Standard Specifications*.

The Contractor may, at his option, submit an alternate plan and sequence by submitting three (3) copies of the proposed alternate to the Engineer for approval. Approval must be obtained before construction is started on the alternate plan.

In the event an erosion and sedimentation control plan is not followed or properly maintained, all other work shall be suspended until corrections are made.

#### **OUTSOURCING OUTSIDE THE USA:**

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All work on consultant contracts, services contracts, and construction contracts shall be performed in the United States of America. No work shall be outsourced outside of the United States of America.

*Outsourcing* for the purpose of this provision is defined as the practice of subcontracting labor, work, services, staffing, or personnel to entities located outside of the United States.

The North Carolina Secretary of Transportation shall approve exceptions to this provision in writing.

#### **GIFTS FROM VENDORS AND CONTRACTORS:**

(12-15-09)

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SPI G152

By Executive Order 24, issued by Governor Perdue, and *N.C. G.S. § 133-32*, it is unlawful for any vendor or contractor (i.e. architect, bidder, contractor, construction manager, design professional, engineer, landlord, offeror, seller, subcontractor, supplier, or vendor), to make gifts or to give favors to any State employee of the Governor's Cabinet Agencies (i.e. Administration, Commerce, Correction, Crime Control and Public Safety, Cultural Resources, Environment and Natural Resources, Health and Human Services, Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, Revenue, Transportation, and the Office of the Governor). This prohibition covers those vendors and contractors who:

(1) have a contract with a governmental agency; or



- (2) have performed under such a contract within the past year; or
- (3) anticipate bidding on such a contract in the future.

For additional information regarding the specific requirements and exemptions, vendors and contractors are encouraged to review Executive Order 24 and *G.S. § 133-32*.

Executive Order 24 also encouraged and invited other State Agencies to implement the requirements and prohibitions of the Executive Order to their agencies. Vendors and contractors should contact other State Agencies to determine if those agencies have adopted Executive Order 24.

**EMPLOYMENT:**

(11-15-11) (Rev. 1-17-12)

108, 102

SPI G184

Revise the *2012 Standard Specifications* as follows:

**Page 1-20, Subarticle 102-15(O)**, delete and replace with the following:

- (O) Failure to restrict a former Department employee as prohibited by Article 108-5.

**Page 1-65, Article 108-5 Character of Workmen, Methods, and Equipment, line 32**, delete all of line 32, the first sentence of the second paragraph and the first word of the second sentence of the second paragraph.

**DIVISION CONTRACT**  
**PROJECT SPECIAL PROVISIONS – PAINTING (REV 9/2011)**

**SPECIALTY ITEMS:**

**Description of Work** - This work shall consist of furnishing all labor, equipment, and materials to clean and paint the structural steel of the existing bridges. Work includes: removing, containment and disposal of the existing paint system; preparation of the surface to be painted and applying the new paint system; traffic control, marking & delineation; portable lighting; erosion and sediment control; seeding and mulching all grassed areas disturbed; and all incidental items necessary to complete the project as specified and shown on the plans.

The contractor shall be responsible for fulfilling all requirements of the NCDOT *Standard Specifications for Roads and Structures* dated January 2012, except as otherwise specified herein.

**Work Schedule** – Prior to the pre-construction meeting, the Contractor shall submit his work schedule to the Engineer. Schedule shall be kept up to date, with a copy of the revised schedule being provided to the Engineer in a timely manner (as determined by the Engineer).

**SSPC QP-2 Certification** - The existing paint systems include toxic substances such as red lead oxide, which are considered hazardous if improperly removed. Only contractors who are currently SSPC QP-2, Category A certified, and have successfully<sup>1</sup> completed lead paint removal on all similar structures within 18 months prior to this bid, may bid on and perform this work. **The Contractor must complete and submit a “Lead Abatement Affidavit” prior to being awarded the contract. This form may be downloaded from:**

**<http://www.ncdot.gov/projects/ncbridges/#stats>**

**Twelve-month Observation Period** - The Contractor maintains responsibility for the coating system for a twelve (12) month observation period beginning upon the satisfactory completion of all the work required in the plans or as directed by the Engineer. The Contractor must guarantee the coating system under the payment and performance bond (refer to Article 109-10). To successfully complete the observation period, the coating system must meet the following requirements after twelve (12) months service:

- No visible rust, contamination or application defect is observed in any coated area.
- Painted surfaces have a uniform color and gloss.
- Painted surfaces have an adhesion that meets an ASTM D-3359, 3A rating.

Final acceptance is made only after the paint system meets the above requirements.

**Submittals** - All submittals must be submitted to the Engineer for review and approval prior to the pre-construction meeting:

- Containment Drawings sealed by NC Professional Engineer

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<sup>1</sup> Successfully: All lead abatement work completed in accordance with contract specifications, free of citation from safety or environmental agencies. Lead abatement work shall include but not be limited to: abrasive blasting; waste handling, storage and disposal; worker safety during lead abatement activities (fall protection, PPE, etc.); and containment. This requirement is in addition to the contractor pre-qualification requirements covered by NCDOT Std. Specification, Section 102-2.

- Bridge Wash Water Sampling & Disposal Plan
- Sub- Contractor identification
- Lighting Plan for night work in accordance with NCDOT *Standard Specifications* Section 1413.
- Traffic Control Plan
  - a) NCDOT certified supervisors, flaggers and traffic control devices
- Health & Safety Plan<sup>2</sup>
  - a) <sup>2</sup>Plan must address the minimum required topics as specified by the SSPC QP-1 and QP-2 program to also include hazard communication, respiratory health, emergency procedures, and local hospital and treatment facilities to include directions and phone numbers, disciplinary criteria for workers who violate the plan and accident investigation.
  - b) Contractor shall provide the Engineer a letter of certification that all employees performing work on the project have blood lead levels that are below the OSHA action level.
  - c) Competent Person qualifications and summary of work experience.
- Environmental Compliance Plan
- Quality Control Plan (Project Specific)
  - a) Quality control qualifications and summary of work experience
- Bridge and Public Protection Plan (Overspray, Utilities, etc. - Project/Task Specific)
- Abrasive Blast Media
  - a) Product Data Sheet
  - b) Blast Media Test Reports in accordance with NCDOT *Standard Specification* Section 1080-15.
- Coating Material
  - a) NCDOT HICAMS Test Reports (testing performed by NCDOT Materials & tests Unit).
  - b) Product Data Sheets
  - c) Material Safety Data Sheets
  - d) Product Specific Repair Procedures
  - e) Acceptance letters from paint manufacturer's for work practices that conflict with Project Special Provisions and or paint manufactures product data sheets.

**Pre-Construction Meeting** – Submittals shall be reviewed and be approved by the engineer prior to scheduling the Pre-Construction Meeting. The Contractor shall allow for a review process of no less than two (2) weeks.

When requesting a pre-construction meeting the Contractor must contact the Engineer at least 7 working days in advance of the desired pre-construction date. The contractor's project supervisor, competent person, quality control personnel and certified traffic control supervisor shall be in attendance for the Pre-Construction meeting in order for the Contractor and DOT team to establish roles responsibilities for various personnel during project duration and to establish realistic timeframes for problem escalation.

**Containment Plan** - No work begins until the Contractor furnishes the Engineer with a containment plan for surface preparation and coating operations and the Engineer reviews and responds in writing about the acceptability of said plan. Allow a minimum of two weeks for review of the plan. Such plan must meet

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<sup>2</sup> SSPC QP-1 required minimum: Hazardous Materials, Personal Protective Equipment, General Health and Safety, Occupational Health and Environmental Controls, Personal Protective Equipment, Fire Protection and Prevention, Signs Signals, and Barricades, Materials Handling, Storage, Use, and Disposal, Hand and Power Tools, Welding and Cutting, Electrical, Scaffolds, Fall Protection, Cranes, Derricks, Hoists, Elevators, and Conveyors, Ladders, Toxic and Hazardous Substances, Airless Injection and HPWJ.

or exceed the requirements of Class 2A containment in accordance with SSPC Guide 6. Enclosure drawings and loads supported by the structure must be prepared, signed and sealed by a Registered North Carolina Professional Engineer.

In the containment plan describe how debris is contained and collected. Describe the type of tarpaulin and bracing materials and the maximum designed wind load. Describe the dust collection system and how a negative pressure of 0.03 inches of water column is maintained inside the enclosure while blasting operations are being conducted. Describe how the airflow inside the containment structure is designed to meet all applicable OSHA Standards. Describe how water run-off from rain will be routed by or through the enclosure. Describe how wash water will be contained and paint chips separated. Describe what physical containment will be provided during painting application to protect the public and areas not to be painted.

**Wash water Sampling and Disposal Plan** - No work begins until the Contractor furnishes the Engineer with a containment plan for surface preparation and coating operations and the Engineer reviews and approves in writing said plan. All wash water shall be collected and sampled prior to disposal. Representative sampling and testing methodology shall conform to 15A NCAC 02B.0103, "Analytical Procedures". Wash water shall be tested for pollutants listed in 15A NCAC 02B.0211 (3), 15A NCAC 02T.0505 (b) (1) and 15A NCAC 2T.0905 (h) (See link below for NCDOT Guidelines for Managing Bridge Wash Water). Depending on the test results, wash water disposal methods shall be described in the disposal plan. Wash water shall be disposed of in accordance with all current state and federal regulations.

<http://www.ncdot.gov/projects/ncbridges/#stats>

**Waste Handling of Paint and Abrasives** – The Contractor will comply with the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA – 40 CFR 261 - 265) and the Occupational Safety and Health Act (OSHA - 29 CFR 1910 - 1926) regulations for employee training, and for the handling, storage, labeling, recordkeeping, reporting, inspections and disposal of all hazardous waste generated during paint removal.

A summary of Generator Requirements is available at the above NCDOT web link which cites the specific regulations for each Generator category. Quantities of waste by weight and dates of waste generation must be recorded. Waste stored at the project site must be properly labeled.

The North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources (NCDENR) have adopted RCRA as the North Carolina Hazardous Waste Management Rules and are responsible for enforcement. The "Hazardous Waste Compliance Manual for Generators of Hazardous Waste" is published by the Compliance Branch of the Division of Waste Management of NCDENR, and can be found at

<http://portal.ncdenr.org/web/wm/hw/rules>

The Contractor is required to maintain compliance with all federal, state and local regulations. Failure to comply with the regulations could result in fines and loss of qualified status with NCDOT.

Use a company from the below list of approved waste management companies. Immediately after award of the contract, the Contractor arranges for waste containers, sampling and testing, transportation and disposal of all waste. No work begins until the Contractor furnishes the Engineer with a written waste disposal plan. Any alternative method for handling waste must be pre-approved by the Engineer.

- Southern Logistics, Inc. – 312 Orville Wright Blvd, Greensboro, NC 27409 (Ph. 336-662-0292)

- A&D Environmental – PO Box 484, High Point, NC 27261 (Ph. 336-434-7750)
- Poseidon Environmental Services, Inc. – 837 Boardman-Canfield Rd #209, Youngstown, OH (Ph. 330-726-1560)
- Clean Harbors Environmental Services – 208 Watlington Industrial Drive, Reidsville, NC 27320 (Ph. 336-342-6106)

**Waste and Wash Water Sampling** - All removed paint and spent abrasive media shall be tested for lead following the SW-846 TCLP Method 1311 Extraction, as required in 40 CFR 261, Appendix 11, to determine whether it must be disposed of as hazardous waste. The Contractor shall furnish the Engineer certified test reports showing TCLP results and Iron analysis of the paint chips stored on site, with disposal being in accordance with “Flowchart on Lead Waste Identification and Disposal”.

[http://portal.ncdenr.org/c/document\\_library/get\\_file?p\\_l\\_id=38491&folderId=328599&name=DL\\_FE-9855.pdf](http://portal.ncdenr.org/c/document_library/get_file?p_l_id=38491&folderId=328599&name=DL_FE-9855.pdf)

The Competent Person shall obtain composite samples from each barrel of the wash water and waste generated by collecting two or more portions taken at regularly spaced intervals during accumulation. Composite the portions into one sample for testing purposes. Do not obtain portions of the composite sample from the very first or last part of the accumulation process. The sample(s) should be acquired after 10 percent or before 90 percent of the barrel has accumulated. Due to the difficulty of acquiring samples the intent is to provide samples that are representative of widely separated portions, but not the beginning and end of wash water or waste accumulation.

Perform sampling by passing a receptacle completely through the discharge stream, or by completely diverting the discharge into a sample container. If discharge of the wash water or waste is too rapid to divert the complete discharge stream, discharge into a container or transportation unit sufficiently large to accommodate and then accomplish the sampling in the same manner as given above.

Until test results are received, all waste shall be stored and labeled as “NCDOT Bridge Paint Removal Waste-Pending Analysis” and include the date generated and contact information for the Division HazMat Manager or Project Engineer. Waste containers shall be stored in an enclosed, sealed and secured storage container. Once test results are received and characterized, waste shall be labeled as either “Hazardous Waste-Pending Disposal” or “Paint Waste-Pending Disposal”.

Once the waste has been collected, and the quantity determined, the Contractor prepares the appropriate shipping documents and manifests and presents them to the Engineer. The Engineer will verify the type and quantity of waste and obtain a Provisional EPA ID number from the

NC Hazardous Waste Section  
 North Carolina Department of Environment & Natural Resources  
 1646 Mail Service Center  
 Raleigh, NC 27699  
 Phone (919) 508-8400 Fax (919) 715-4061

At the time of shipping the Engineer will sign, date and add the ID number in the appropriate section on the manifest. The maximum on-site storage time for collected waste shall be 90 days. All waste whether hazardous or non-hazardous will require numbered shipping manifests. The cost for waste disposal (including lab and Provisional EPA ID number) is included in the bid price for this contract. Note NC Hazardous Waste Management Rules (15A NCAC 13A) for more information. Provisional EPA ID numbers may be obtained at this link:

<http://portal.ncdenr.org/web/wm/provisional-hw-notification-page>

Testing labs shall be certified in accordance with North Carolina State Laboratory Public Health Environmental Sciences. List of certified laboratories may be obtained at this link:

<http://slphreporting.ncpublichealth.com/EnvironmentalSciences/Certification/CertifiedLaboratory.asp>

All test results shall be documented on the lab analysis as follows:

1. For leachable lead
  - a. Soils/Solid/Liquid- EPA 1311/200.7/6010

All sampling shall be done in presence of the Engineer's representative.

**Equipment Mobilization** - The equipment used in any travel lanes and paved shoulder must be mobile equipment on wheels that has the ability to move on/off the roadway in less than 30 minutes. All work conducted in travel lanes must be from truck or trailer supported platforms and all equipment must be self-propelled or attached to a tow vehicle at all times.

#### **QUALITY CONTROL INSPECTOR:**

The Contractor provides a quality control inspector in accordance with the SSPC QP guidelines to ensure that all processes, preparation, blasting and coating application are in accordance with the requirements of the contract. The inspector shall have written authority to perform QC duties to include continuous improvement of all QC internal procedures. The presence of the engineer or inspector at the work site shall in no way lessen the contractor's responsibility for conformity with the contract

#### **QUALITY ASSURANCE INSPECTOR:**

The quality assurance inspector which may be a Department employee or a designated representative of the Department shall observe, document, assess and report that the Contractor is complying with all of the requirements of the contract. Inspectors employed by the Department are authorized to inspect all work performed and materials furnished. Such inspection may extend to all or any part of the work and to the preparation, fabrication or manufacture of the materials to be used. The inspector is not authorized to alter or waive the requirements of the contract. Each stage in preparing the structure to be coated which includes but not limited to washing, blasting, coating testing and inspection shall be inspected and approved by the Engineer or his authorized representative.

#### **SUBLETTING OF CONTRACT:**

Only contractors certified to meet SSPC QP-2, Category A, and have successfully completed lead paint removal on all similar structures within 18 months prior to this bid are qualified for this work. Work is only sublet by approval of the Engineer.

## **SPECIFICATIONS:**

The North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) *Standard Specifications for Roads and Structures* dated January 2012; together with these Special Provisions apply to this project. Surface preparation and painting are performed in accordance with Section 442 except where otherwise noted in these Special Provisions. The Paint materials must meet the applicable materials specifications under Section 1080. Materials approvals are in accordance with 3.0 Materials of this Special Provision.

### **1.0 PREPARATION OF SURFACES:**

- 1.1 Power washing – Before any other surface preparation are conducted, all surfaces shall be power washed to remove dust, salts, dirt and other contaminants. All wash water shall be contained, collected and tested in accordance with the requirements of NCDOT Managing Bridge Wash Water specification. Under no circumstances will surface preparation or painting activities be started over cleaned surfaces until all surfaces are free of standing water and dry to the touch, and then only after approval by the Engineer.
- 1.2 Blasting is done with recyclable steel grit meeting the requirements of Section 1080-13. The profile must be between 1.0 and 3.0 mils when measured on a smooth steel surface. A minimum of two tests per beam/girder and two tests per span of diaphragms/cross bracing shall be conducted and documented.
- 1.3 Tarpaulins are spread over all pavements and surfaces underneath equipment utilized for abrasive recycling and other lead handling equipment or containers. This requirement shall be enforced during activity and inactivity of equipment.
- 1.4 Before the contractor departs from the work site at the end of the work day, all debris generated during surface preparation and all dust collector hoses, tarps, or other appurtenances containing blasting residue are collected in approved containers.
- 1.5 The Contractor cleans a three inch by three inch area at each structure to demonstrate the specified finish and the inspector preserves this area by covering it with tape, plastic or some other suitable means so that it can be retained as the DFT gage adjustment standard. An acceptable alternative is for the Contractor to provide a steel plate with similar properties and geometry as the substrate to be measured.
- 1.6 The contractor and or quality assurance representative shall notify the Engineer of any area of corroded steel which has lost more than 50% of its original thickness.
- 1.7 All parts of the bridges not to be painted, and the travelling public, shall be protected from overspray. The Contractor shall submit a plan to protect all parts of bridge that are not required to be painted, in addition to a plan to protect the traveling public and surrounding environment while applying all coats of paint to a structure.
- 1.8 Contractor must insure that chloride levels on the surfaces are  $7 \mu\text{g}/\text{cm}^2$  or lower using an acceptable sample method in accordance with SSPC Guide 15. The frequency of testing shall be 2 tests per span after all surface preparation has been completed and immediately prior to painting. Test areas selected shall represent the greatest amount of corrosion in the span as determined by the Engineers' representative.
- 1.9 All weld splatter, slag or other surface defects resulting in a raised surface above the final paint layer shall be removed prior to application of primer coat.

### **2.0 PAINTING OF STEEL:**

Paint System 1, as specified in these special provisions and Section 442 of NCDOT's Standard Specifications, is to be used for this work. System 1 is an Inorganic Zinc primer, and Acrylic Topcoats

over blast cleaned surfaces in accordance with SSPC-SP-10 (Near White Blast). Perform all mixing operations over an impervious surface with provisions to prevent runoff to grade of any spilled material. The contractor is responsible for reporting quantities of thinner purchased as well the amounts used. No container with thinner shall be left uncovered, when not in use.

Any area where newly applied paint fails to meet the specifications must be repaired or replaced by the Contractor. The Engineer approves all repair processes before the repair is made. Repaired areas must meet the specifications. The Contractor applies an additional finish coat of paint to areas where the tape adhesion test is conducted.

### **3.0 MATERIALS:**

Only paint suppliers that have a NCDOT qualified inorganic zinc primer may furnish paints for this project. All paints applied to a structure must be from the same supplier. Before any paints are applied the Contractor provides the Engineer a manufacturer's certification that each batch of paint meets the requirements of the applicable Section 1080 of the *Standard Specifications*.

The inspector randomly collects a one pint sample of each paint product used on the project. Additional samples may be collected as needed to verify compliance to the specifications.

Do not expose paint materials to rain, excessive condensation, long periods of direct sunlight, or temperatures above 110F or below 40F. In addition, the Contractor shall place a device which records the high, low and current temperatures inside the storage location. Follow the manufacturer's storage requirements if more restrictive than the above requirements.

### **4.0 INSPECTION:**

Surface Preparation for System 1 shall be in accordance with SSPC SP-10. Any area(s) not meeting the requirements of SSPC SP 10 shall be remediated prior to application of coating. Surface inspection is considered ready for inspection when all blast abrasive, residue and dust is removed from surfaces to be coated.

Quality Assurance Inspection - The Contractor furnishes all necessary OSHA approved apparatus such as ladders, scaffolds and platforms as required for the inspector to have reasonable and safe access to all parts of the work. The contractor illuminates the surfaces to be inspected to a minimum of 50-foot candles of light. All access points shall be illuminated to a minimum of 20-foot candles of light.

NCDOT reserves the right for ongoing QA (Quality Assurance) inspection to include but not limited to surface contamination testing, adhesion pull testing and DFT readings as necessary to assure quality.

The Contractor informs the Engineer and the Division Safety Engineer of all scheduled and unannounced inspections from SSPC, OSHA, EPA and/or others that come on site and furnishes the Engineer a copy of all inspection reports except for reports performed by a third party and or consultant on behalf of the contractor.

Inspection Instruments - The Contractor furnishes at least the following calibrated instruments at site and conducts the quality control testing:

- Sling Psychrometer - ASTM E-337 – bulb type
- Surface Temperature Thermometer
- Wind Speed Indicator
- Tape Profile Tester – ASTM D-4417 Method C
- Surface Condition Standards – SSPC VIS-1 and VIS-3
- Wet Film Thickness Gage – ASTM D-4414
- Dry Film Thickness Gage – SSPC-PA2 Modified
- Solvent Rub Test Kit – ASTM D-4752
- Adhesion Test Kit – ASTM D-3359 Method A (Tape Test)



Adhesion Pull test – ASTM D-4541  
Surface Contamination Analysis Kit or (Chloride Level Test Kit)

The contractor maintains a daily quality control record in accordance with Section 442-13 and such records must be available at the job site for review by the inspector and be submitted to the Engineer as directed. In addition to the information required on M&T-610, the Contractor shall submit all DFT readings as required by these Special Provisions on a form equivalent to M&T-611.

The dry film thickness is measured at each spot as indicated on the attached diagram at no less than specified for each paint system as listed below:

Dry film thickness is measured at each spot on the attached diagram and at the required number of locations as specified below:

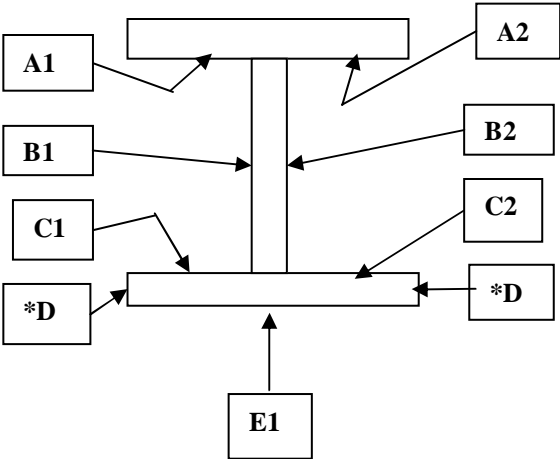
1. For span members less than 45 feet; three random locations along each girder in each span.
2. For span members greater than 45 feet; add 1 additional location for each additional 10 feet in span length.

DFT measurements for the prime coat shall not be taken for record until the zinc primer has cured in accordance with ASTM D-4752 (MEK Rub Test) with no less than a four resistance rating.

Stiffeners and other attachments to beams and or plate girders shall be measured at no less than five random spots per span. Also dry film thickness is measured at no less than six random spots per span on diaphragms/“K” frames.

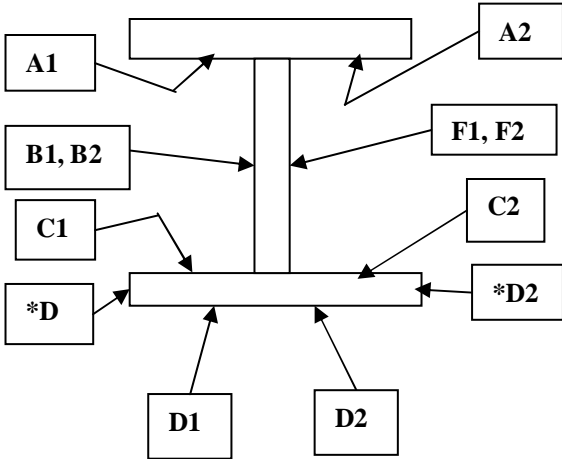
Each spot is an average of three to five individual gage readings as defined in SSPC PA-2. No spot average shall be less than 80% of minimum DFT for each layer applied; this does not apply to stripe coat application. Spot readings that are non-conforming shall be re-accessed by performing additional spot measurements not to exceed one foot intervals on both sides of the low areas until acceptable spot averages are obtained. These non-conforming areas shall be corrected by the contractor prior to applying successive coats.

**Less than 36" in height and/or bottom flanges less than 16" in width.**  
**7 Spot Areas**  
**21 Individual DFT Readings**



**\*D areas are only included when flange thickness is one inch (1") or greater.**

**36" in height or greater and/or bottom flanges greater than 16" in width.**  
**10 Spot Areas**  
**30 Individual DFT Readings**



**\*D areas are only included when flange thickness is one inch (1") or greater.**

- A. Two random adhesion tests (1 test=3 dollies) per span are conducted on interior surfaces in accordance with ASTM D-4541 (Adhesion Pull Test) after the prime coat has been properly cured in accordance with ASTM D-4752 (MEK Rub Test) with no less than a 4 resistance rating, and will be touched up by the Contractor. The required minimum average adhesion is 400 psi.
- B. Cure of the intermediate and stripe coats shall be accessed by utilizing the thumb test in accordance with ASTM D-1640 (Curing Formation Test) prior to the application of any successive layers of paint.
- C. One random Cut Tape adhesion test per span is conducted in accordance with ASTM D-3359 (X-Cut Tape Test) on interior surface after the finish coat is cured. Repair areas shall be properly tapered and touched up by the Contractor.

**5.0 SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE PLANS:**

Personnel access boundaries are delineated for each work site using signs, tape, cones or other approved means. Submit copies of safety and environmental compliance plans that comply with SSPC QP-2 Certification requirements.

**6.0 ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING:**

Comply with Subarticle 442-14(B) of NCDOT's Standard Specifications.

A “Competent Person<sup>3</sup>” is on site during all surface preparation activities and monitors the effectiveness of containment, dust collection systems and waste sampling. Before any work begins the Contractor provides a written summary of the responsible person’s safety training.

Area sampling will be performed for the first two (2) days at each bridge location. The area sample will be located within five feet of the containment and where the highest probability of leakage will occur (access door, etc.). Results from the area sampling will be given to the Engineer within seventy-two (72) hours of sampling (excluding weekends) If the results of the samples exceed  $20 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  corrective measures must be taken and monitoring will be continued until two consecutive samples come back less than  $20 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ .

Any visible emissions outside the containment enclosure or pump monitoring results exceeding the level of  $30 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  TWA is justification to suspend the work.

Where schools, housing and/or buildings are within five hundred (500) feet of the containment, the Contractor shall perform initial TSP-Lead monitoring for the first ten (10) days of the project; during abrasive blasting, vacuuming and containment removal. Additional monitoring will be required during abrasive blasting two days per month thereafter. Results of the TSP monitoring at any location shall not exceed  $1.5 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ .

This project may involve lead and other toxic metals such as arsenic, cadmium and hexavalent chromium. It is the contractor’s responsibility to test for toxic metals and if found, comply with the OSHA regulations, which may include medical testing.

#### **7.0 HEALTH AND SAFETY RESPONSIBILITY:**

Comply with Subarticle 442-14(D) of NCDOT’s Standard Specifications. Insure employee blood sampling test results are less than 50 micrograms per deciliter. Remove employees with a blood sampling test of 50 or more micrograms per deciliter from work activities involving any lead exposure.

An employee who has been removed with a blood level of 50 micrograms per deciliter or more shall have two consecutive blood sampling tests spaced one week apart indicating that the employee’s blood lead level is at or below 40 micrograms per deciliter before returning to work activities involving any lead exposure.

Prior to blasting operations the Contractor shall have an operational OSHA approved hand wash station at each bridge location and a decontamination trailer at each bridge or between bridges unless the work is on the roadway, or the contractor can show reason why it is not feasible to do so in which the Contractor will provide an alternative site as approved by the Engineer. The contractor shall assure that all employees whose airborne exposure to lead is above the PEL shall shower at the end of their work shift.

All OSHA recordable accidents that occur during the project duration are to be reported to the Engineer within twenty four (24) hours of occurrence. In addition, for accidents that involve civilians and or property damage that occur within the work zone the Division Safety Engineer shall be notified immediately.

#### **8.0 STORAGE OF PAINT AND EQUIPMENT:**

The Prime Contractor provides a location for materials, equipment and waste storage. Tarpaulins are spread over all pavements and surfaces underneath equipment utilized for abrasive recycling and other lead handling equipment or containers. All land and or lease agreements that involve private property shall disclose to the property owner that lead and other heavy metals may be present on the Contractor’s equipment. Prior to storing the Contractor’s equipment on private property the Engineer shall receive a

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<sup>3</sup> **Competent Person** as defined in OSHA 29 CFR 1926.62 is one who is capable of identifying existing and predictable hazards in the surroundings or working conditions which are unsanitary, hazardous, or dangerous to employees, and who have authorization to take prompt corrective measures to eliminate them.

notarized written consent signed by the land owner submitted at least forty-eight (48) prior to using property. All storage of paint, solvents and other materials applied to structures shall be stored in accordance with Section 442 of the Specifications or manufacturers' requirements. The more restrictive requirements will apply.

**9.0 UTILITIES:**

The Contractor protects all utility lines or mains which may be supported on, under, or adjacent to bridge work sites from damage and paint over-spray.

**10.0 PAYMENT:**

The cost of inspection, surface preparation and repainting the existing structure is included in the lump sum price bid for *Cleaning and Repainting of Bridge #\_\_\_*. This price is full compensation for furnishing all inspection equipment, all paint, cleaning abrasives, cleaning solvents and all other materials; preparing and cleaning surfaces to be painted; applying paint in the field; protecting work, traffic and property; and furnishing blast cleaning equipment, paint spraying equipment, brushes, rollers and any other hand or power tools and any other equipment; containment, handling and disposal of debris and wash water, all personal protective equipment, and all personal hygiene requirements.

*Pollution Control* will be paid for at the contract lump sum price which price will be full compensation for all collection, handling, storage, air monitoring, and disposal of debris and wash water, all personal protective equipment, and all personal hygiene requirements, and all equipment, material and labor necessary to fully contain the blast debris; daily collection of the blast debris into specified containers; and any measures necessary to ensure conformance to all safety and environments regulations as directed by the Engineer.

Payment will be made under:

<b>Pay Item</b>	<b>Pay Unit</b>
Cleaning and Repainting of Bridge #___	Lump Sum
Pollution Control	Lump Sum

**SECURING OF VESSELS (10-12-01):**

Secure vessels in accordance with Section 107 of the Standard Specifications and the following provision.

When utilizing barges, tugboats or other vessels, take all necessary precautions to ensure that such vessels are securely anchored or moored when not in active operation. Take all necessary measures to ensure that the vessels are operated in a manner that avoids damage to or unnecessary contact with bridges and other highway structures and attachments. If severe weather conditions are anticipated, or should be anticipated through reasonable monitoring of weather forecasts, take additional measures to protect bridges and other highway structures and attachments from extreme conditions. The Contractor is strictly liable for damages to any bridge or other highway structure or attachment caused by a vessel owned or controlled by the Contractor. The Contractor is also liable to third parties for property damages and loss of revenue caused by vessels under the Contractor's control.

**Do not secure vessels to the existing bridge without prior written approval of the Engineer.**

**COORDINATION WITH THE U. S. COAST GUARD (SPECIAL):**

At no time during work will the waterway be closed or narrowed to navigation without prior approval from the Coast Guard. The contractor is required to maintain close and regular contact with the Coast Guard, Sector North Carolina to keep them informed to activities in the waterway with Joe Edge at (252)-

247-4525 or email [joseph.m.edge@uscg.mil](mailto:joseph.m.edge@uscg.mil). Also must contact the 5<sup>th</sup> Coast Guard District with Bill Brazier at (757) 398-6422 or email at [Bill.H.Brazier@uscg.mil](mailto:Bill.H.Brazier@uscg.mil).

All waterway narrowing or closures shall be requested in writing and shall be received by the District Commander of the Coast Guard at least 30 days in advance of the closure so that the appropriate marine notifications can be made.

All work shall be conducted so that free navigation of the waterway is not unreasonably interfered with and the present navigable depths are not impaired. Timely notice of any and all events that affect navigation shall be given to the District Commander during the work on the channel span. The channel shall be promptly cleared of all obstructions placed therein or caused by the contractor.

**WORK IN, OVER OR ADJACENT TO NAVIGABLE WATERS (SPECIAL):**

All work in, over, or adjacent to navigable waters shall be in accordance with the special provisions and conditions contained in the permits obtained by the Department from the U.S. Coast Guard, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, or other authority having jurisdiction. The work shall have no adverse effect on navigation of the waterway including traffic flow, navigational depths, and horizontal and vertical clearances without approval from the authorities granting the permits.

The Contractor shall prepare drawings necessary to obtain any permits which may be required for his operations which are not included in the Department's permit including but not limited to excavation and dumping, constructing wharves, piers, ramps, and other structures connecting to bank or shore, and drawings for constructing falsework, cofferdams, sheeting, temporary bridges, and any other construction within the waterway. Submittals shall show locations of such work with respect to the navigational opening. The Contractor shall coordinate the submittal of drawings with the Engineer.

All construction shall progress and be maintained in a safe and timely manner. Temporary construction facilities shall be removed completely and promptly upon discontinuation of their useful purpose. The Contractor shall immediately notify the appropriate authorities and take corrective measures as needed when any situation occurs that imposes a threat to the public. He shall also immediately correct any acts or occurrences that contradict or violate any requirements in the plans, special provisions, or permits when corrective measures can be performed in a safe manner. The Contractor shall notify the appropriate authorities when such corrective measures cannot be performed in a safe manner.

All costs incurred by the Contractor in complying with the above requirements shall be included in the prices bid for the various pay items and no additional payment will be made.

**DIVISION CONTRACT**  
**PROJECT SPECIAL PROVISIONS – ROADWAY**

**TRAFFIC CONTROL AND WORK ZONE SIGNING:**

Provide all traffic control devices necessary to complete this project as shown in the plans and as directed by the Engineer. The list of “Traffic Control Devices” and the “Traffic Control Plans” included in this Proposal are to be deemed as a minimum requirement only. The Contractor shall, at the direction of the Engineer, modify the traffic control devices and traffic handling plan to adequately handle traffic through the work site. **The Contractor shall also provide all notices, signs, buoys, lighting, communication equipment and all else to provide safe passage to boat traffic.**

**STABILIZATION REQUIREMENTS:**

(11-4-11)

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Stabilization for this project shall comply with the time frame guidelines as specified by the NCG-010000 general construction permit effective August 3, 2011 issued by the North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources Division of Water Quality. Temporary or permanent ground cover stabilization shall occur within 7 calendar days from the last land-disturbing activity, with the following exceptions in which temporary or permanent ground cover shall be provided in 14 calendar days from the last land-disturbing activity:

- Slopes between 2:1 and 3:1, with a slope length of 10 ft. or less
- Slopes 3:1 or flatter, with a slope of length of 50 ft. or less
- Slopes 4:1 or flatter

The stabilization timeframe for High Quality Water (HQW) Zones shall be 7 calendar days with no exceptions for slope grades or lengths. High Quality Water Zones (HQW) Zones are defined by North Carolina Administrative Code 15A NCAC 04A.0105 (25). Temporary and permanent ground cover stabilization shall be achieved in accordance with the provisions in this contract and as directed.

**SEEDING AND MULCHING:**

**(East Crimp)**

The kinds of seed and fertilizer, and the rates of application of seed, fertilizer, and limestone, shall be as stated below. During periods of overlapping dates, the kind of seed to be used shall be determined. All rates are in pounds per acre.

All Roadway Areas

**March 1 - August 31**

50#	Tall Fescue
10#	Centipede
25#	Bermudagrass (hulled)
500#	Fertilizer
4000#	Limestone

**September 1 - February 28**

50#	Tall Fescue
10#	Centipede
35#	Bermudagrass (unhulled)
500#	Fertilizer
4000#	Limestone

Waste and Borrow Locations

<b>March 1 – August 31</b>		<b>September 1 - February 28</b>	
75#	Tall Fescue	75#	Tall Fescue
25#	Bermudagrass (hulled)	35#	Bermudagrass (unhulled)
500#	Fertilizer	500#	Fertilizer
4000#	Limestone	4000#	Limestone

Note: 50# of Bahiagrass may be substituted for either Centipede or Bermudagrass only upon Engineer's request.

Approved Tall Fescue Cultivars

2 <sup>nd</sup> Millennium	Duster	Magellan	Rendition
Avenger	Endeavor	Masterpiece	Scorpion
Barlexas	Escalade	Matador	Shelby
Barlexas II	Falcon II, III, IV & V	Matador GT	Signia
Barrera	Fidelity	Millennium	Silverstar
Barrington	Finesse II	Montauk	Southern Choice II
Biltmore	Firebird	Mustang 3	Stetson
Bingo	Focus	Olympic Gold	Tarheel
Bravo	Grande II	Padre	Titan Ltd
Cayenne	Greenkeeper	Paraiso	Titanium
Chapel Hill	Greystone	Picasso	Tomahawk
Chesapeake	Inferno	Piedmont	Tacer
Constitution	Justice	Pure Gold	Trooper
Chipper	Jaguar 3	Prospect	Turbo
Coronado	Kalahari	Quest	Ultimate
Coyote	Kentucky 31	Rebel Exeda	Watchdog
Davinci	Kitty Hawk	Rebel Sentry	Wolfpack
Dynasty	Kitty Hawk 2000	Regiment II	
Dominion	Lexington	Rembrandt	

On cut and fill slopes 2:1 or steeper Centipede shall be applied at the rate of 5 pounds per acre and add 20# of Sericea Lespedeza from January 1 - December 31.

Fertilizer shall be 10-20-20 analysis. A different analysis of fertilizer may be used provided the 1-2-2 ratio is maintained and the rate of application adjusted to provide the same amount of plant food as a 10-20-20 analysis and as directed.

All areas seeded and mulched shall be tacked with asphalt. Crimping of straw in lieu of asphalt tack shall not be allowed on this project.

**CRIMPING STRAW MULCH:**

Crimping shall be required on this project adjacent to any section of roadway where traffic is to be maintained or allowed during construction. In areas within six feet of the edge of pavement, straw is to be applied and then crimped. After the crimping operation is complete, an additional application of straw shall be applied and immediately tacked with a sufficient amount of undiluted emulsified asphalt.

Straw mulch shall be of sufficient length and quality to withstand the crimping operation.

Crimping equipment including power source shall be subject to the approval of the Engineer providing that maximum spacing of crimper blades shall not exceed 8".

**BASIS OF PAYMENT:**

No separate payment will be made for "Seeding and Mulching". Payment will be included in the lump sum bid price for each bridge. This payment shall be full compensation for all materials, tools, equipment, labor, and for all incidentals necessary to complete the work.



**STANDARD SPECIAL PROVISION**  
**AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS – TERMINATION OF CONTRACTS**

(5-20-08)

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*General Statute 143C-6-11. (h) Highway Appropriation* is hereby incorporated verbatim in this contract as follows:

(h) Amounts Encumbered. – Transportation project appropriations may be encumbered in the amount of allotments made to the Department of Transportation by the Director for the estimated payments for transportation project contract work to be performed in the appropriation fiscal year. The allotments shall be multiyear allotments and shall be based on estimated revenues and shall be subject to the maximum contract authority contained in *General Statute 143C-6-11(c)*. Payment for transportation project work performed pursuant to contract in any fiscal year other than the current fiscal year is subject to appropriations by the General Assembly. Transportation project contracts shall contain a schedule of estimated completion progress, and any acceleration of this progress shall be subject to the approval of the Department of Transportation provided funds are available. The State reserves the right to terminate or suspend any transportation project contract, and any transportation project contract shall be so terminated or suspended if funds will not be available for payment of the work to be performed during that fiscal year pursuant to the contract. In the event of termination of any contract, the contractor shall be given a written notice of termination at least 60 days before completion of scheduled work for which funds are available. In the event of termination, the contractor shall be paid for the work already performed in accordance with the contract specifications.

Payment will be made on any contract terminated pursuant to the special provision in accordance with Subarticle 108-13(E) of the *2012 Standard Specifications*.

**STANDARD SPECIAL PROVISION**  
**NCDOT GENERAL SEED SPECIFICATION FOR SEED QUALITY**

(5-17-11)

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Seed shall be sampled and tested by the North Carolina Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, Seed Testing Laboratory. When said samples are collected, the vendor shall supply an independent laboratory report for each lot to be tested. Results from seed so sampled shall be final. Seed not meeting the specifications shall be rejected by the Department of Transportation and shall not be delivered to North Carolina Department of Transportation warehouses. If seed has been delivered it shall be available for pickup and replacement at the supplier's expense.

Any re-labeling required by the North Carolina Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, Seed Testing Laboratory, that would cause the label to reflect as otherwise specified herein shall be rejected by the North Carolina Department of Transportation.

Seed shall be free from seeds of the noxious weeds Johnsongrass, Balloonvine, Jimsonweed, Witchweed, Itchgrass, Serrated Tussock, Showy Crotalaria, Smooth Crotalaria, Sicklepod, Sandbur, Wild Onion, and Wild Garlic. Seed shall not be labeled with the above weed species on the seed analysis label. Tolerances as applied by the Association of Official Seed Analysts will **NOT** be allowed for the above noxious weeds except for Wild Onion and Wild Garlic.

Tolerances established by the Association of Official Seed Analysts will generally be recognized. However, for the purpose of figuring pure live seed, the **found** pure seed and **found** germination percentages as reported by the North Carolina Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, Seed Testing Laboratory will be used. Allowances, as established by the NCDOT, will be recognized for minimum pure live seed as listed on the following pages.

The specifications for restricted noxious weed seed refers to the number per pound as follows:

<b><u>Restricted Noxious Weed</u></b>	<b><u>Limitations per Lb. Of Seed</u></b>	<b><u>Restricted Noxious Weed</u></b>	<b><u>Limitations per Lb. of Seed</u></b>
Blessed Thistle	4 seeds	Cornflower (Ragged Robin)	27 seeds
Cocklebur	4 seeds	Texas Panicum	27 seeds
Spurred Anoda	4 seeds	Bracted Plantain	54 seeds
Velvetleaf	4 seeds	Buckhorn Plantain	54 seeds
Morning-glory	8 seeds	Broadleaf Dock	54 seeds
Corn Cockle	10 seeds	Curly Dock	54 seeds
Wild Radish	12 seeds	Dodder	54 seeds
Purple Nutsedge	27 seeds	Giant Foxtail	54 seeds
Yellow Nutsedge	27 seeds	Horsenettle	54 seeds
Canada Thistle	27 seeds	Quackgrass	54 seeds
Field Bindweed	27 seeds	Wild Mustard	54 seeds
Hedge Bindweed	27 seeds		

Seed of Pensacola Bahiagrass shall not contain more than 7% inert matter, Kentucky Bluegrass, Centipede and Fine or Hard Fescue shall not contain more than 5% inert matter whereas a maximum of 2% inert matter will be allowed on all other kinds of seed. In addition, all seed shall not contain more than 2% other crop seed nor more than 1% total weed seed. The germination rate as tested by the North Carolina Department of Agriculture shall not fall below 70%, which includes both dormant and hard seed.

Seed shall be labeled with not more than 7%, 5% or 2% inert matter (according to above specifications), 2% other crop seed and 1% total weed seed.

Exceptions may be made for minimum pure live seed allowances when cases of seed variety shortages are verified. Pure live seed percentages will be applied in a verified shortage situation. Those purchase orders of deficient seed lots will be credited with the percentage that the seed is deficient.

FURTHER SPECIFICATIONS FOR EACH SEED GROUP ARE GIVEN BELOW:

Minimum 85% pure live seed; maximum 1% total weed seed; maximum 2% total other crop seed; maximum 144 restricted noxious weed seed per pound. Seed less than 83% pure live seed will not be approved.

Sericea Lespedeza  
Oats (seeds)

Minimum 80% pure live seed; maximum 1% total weed seed; maximum 2% total other crop; maximum 144 restricted noxious weed seed per pound. Seed less than 78% pure live seed will not be approved.

Tall Fescue (all approved varieties)	Bermudagrass
Kobe Lespedeza	Browntop Millet
Korean Lespedeza	German Millet – Strain R
Weeping Lovegrass	Clover – Red/White/Crimson
Carpetgrass	

Minimum 78% pure live seed; maximum 1% total weed seed; maximum 2% total other crop seed; maximum 144 restricted noxious weed seed per pound. Seed less than 76% pure live seed will not be approved.

Common or Sweet Sundangrass

Minimum 76% pure live seed; maximum 1% total weed seed; maximum 2% total other crop seed; maximum 144 restricted noxious weed seed per pound. Seed less than 74% pure live seed will not be approved.

Rye (grain; all varieties)  
Kentucky Bluegrass (all approved varieties)  
Hard Fescue (all approved varieties)  
Shrub (bicolor) Lespedeza

Minimum 70% pure live seed; maximum 1% total weed seed; maximum 2% total other crop seed; maximum 144 noxious weed seed per pound. Seed less than 70% pure live seed will not be approved.

Centipedegrass	Japanese Millet
Crownvetch	Reed Canary Grass
Pensacola Bahiagrass	Zoysia
Creeping Red Fescue	

Minimum 70% pure live seed; maximum 1% total weed seed; maximum 2% total other crop seed; maximum 5% inert matter; maximum 144 restricted noxious weed seed per pound.

Barnyard Grass  
Big Bluestem  
Little Bluestem  
Bristly Locust  
Birdsfoot Trefoil  
Indiangrass  
Orchardgrass  
Switchgrass  
Yellow Blossom Sweet Clover

## STANDARD SPECIAL PROVISION

### ERRATA

(1-17-12)

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Revise the 2012 *Standard Specifications* as follows:

#### **Division 2**

**Page 2-7, line 31, Article 215-2 Construction Methods**, replace “Article 107-26” with “Article 107-25”.

**Page 2-17, Article 226-3, Measurement and Payment, line 2**, delete “pipe culverts,”.

**Page 2-20, Subarticle 230-4(B), Contractor Furnished Sources, change references as follows: Line 1**, replace “(4) Buffer Zone” with “(c) Buffer Zone”; **Line 12**, replace “(5) Evaluation for Potential Wetlands and Endangered Species” with “(d) Evaluation for Potential Wetlands and Endangered Species”; and **Line 33**, replace “(6) Approval” with “(4) Approval”.

#### **Division 6**

**Page 6-7, line 31, Article 609-3 Field Verification of Mixture and Job Mix Formula Adjustments**, replace “30” with “45”.

**Page 6-10, line 42, Subarticle 609-6(C)(2)**, replace “Subarticle 609-6(E)” with “Subarticle 609-6(D)”.

**Page 6-11, Table 609-1 Control Limits**, replace “Max. Spec. Limit” for the Target Source of  $P_{0.075}/P_{be}$  Ratio with “1.0”.

#### **Division 10**

**Page 10-74, Table 1056-1 Geotextile Requirements**, replace “50%” for the UV Stability (Retained Strength) of Type 5 geotextiles with “70%”.

#### **Division 12**

**Page 12-8, Table 1205-4 and 1205-5**, replace “THERMOPLASTIC” in the title of these tables with “POLYUREA”.

#### **Division 17**

**Page 17-26, line 42, Subarticle 1731-3(D) Termination and Splicing within Interconnect Center**, delete this subarticle.

## **STANDARD SPECIAL PROVISION**

### **PLANT AND PEST QUARANTINES**

#### **(Imported Fire Ant, Gypsy Moth, Witchweed, And Other Noxious Weeds)**

(3-18-03)

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#### **Within Quarantined Area**

This project may be within a county regulated for plant and/or pests. If the project or any part of the Contractor's operations is located within a quarantined area, thoroughly clean all equipment prior to moving out of the quarantined area. Comply with federal/state regulations by obtaining a certificate or limited permit for any regulated article moving from the quarantined area.

#### **Originating in a Quarantined County**

Obtain a certificate or limited permit issued by the N.C. Department of Agriculture/United States Department of Agriculture. Have the certificate or limited permit accompany the article when it arrives at the project site.

#### **Contact**

Contact the N.C. Department of Agriculture/United States Department of Agriculture at 1-800-206-9333, 919-733-6932, or <http://www.ncagr.com/plantind/> to determine those specific project sites located in the quarantined area or for any regulated article used on this project originating in a quarantined county.

#### **Regulated Articles Include**

1. Soil, sand, gravel, compost, peat, humus, muck, and decomposed manure, separately or with other articles. This includes movement of articles listed above that may be associated with cut/waste, ditch pulling, and shoulder cutting.
2. Plants with roots including grass sod.
3. Plant crowns and roots.
4. Bulbs, corms, rhizomes, and tubers of ornamental plants.
5. Hay, straw, fodder, and plant litter of any kind.
6. Clearing and grubbing debris.
7. Used agricultural cultivating and harvesting equipment.
8. Used earth-moving equipment.
9. Any other products, articles, or means of conveyance, of any character, if determined by an inspector to present a hazard of spreading imported fire ant, gypsy moth, witchweed or other noxious weeds.

**STANDARD SPECIAL PROVISION**

**MINIMUM WAGES**

(7-21-09)

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**FEDERAL:** The Fair Labor Standards Act provides that with certain exceptions every employer shall pay wages at the rate of not less than SEVEN DOLLARS AND TWENTY FIVE CENTS (\$7.25) per hour.

**STATE:** The North Carolina Minimum Wage Act provides that every employer shall pay to each of his employees, wages at a rate of not less than SEVEN DOLLARS AND TWENTY FIVE CENTS (\$7.25) per hour.

The minimum wage paid to all skilled labor employed on this contract shall be SEVEN DOLLARS AND TWENTY FIVE CENTS (\$7.25) per hour.

The minimum wage paid to all intermediate labor employed on this contract shall be SEVEN DOLLARS AND TWENTY FIVE CENTS (\$7.25) per hour.

The minimum wage paid to all unskilled labor on this contract shall be SEVEN DOLLARS AND TWENTY FIVE CENTS (\$7.25) per hour.

This determination of the intent of the application of this act to the contract on this project is the responsibility of the Contractor.

The Contractor shall have no claim against the Department of Transportation for any changes in the minimum wage laws, Federal or State. It is the responsibility of the Contractor to keep fully informed of all Federal and State Laws affecting his contract.

## STANDARD SPECIAL PROVISION

### ON-THE-JOB TRAINING

(10-16-07) (Rev. 7-21-09)

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#### **Description**

The North Carolina Department of Transportation will administer a custom version of the Federal On-the-Job Training (OJT) Program, commonly referred to as the Alternate OJT Program. All contractors (existing and newcomers) will be automatically placed in the Alternate Program. Standard OJT requirements typically associated with individual projects will no longer be applied at the project level. Instead, these requirements will be applicable on an annual basis for each contractor administered by the OJT Program Manager.

On the Job Training shall meet the requirements of 23 CFR 230.107 (b), 23 USC – Section 140, this provision and the On-the-Job Training Program Manual.

The Alternate OJT Program will allow a contractor to train employees on Federal, State and privately funded projects located in North Carolina. However, priority shall be given to training employees on NCDOT Federal-Aid funded projects.

#### **Minorities and Women**

Developing, training and upgrading of minorities and women toward journeyman level status is a primary objective of this special training provision. Accordingly, the Contractor shall make every effort to enroll minority and women as trainees to the extent that such persons are available within a reasonable area of recruitment. This training commitment is not intended, and shall not be used, to discriminate against any applicant for training, whether a member of a minority group or not.

#### **Assigning Training Goals**

The Department, through the OJT Program Manager, will assign training goals for a calendar year based on the contractors' past three years' activity and the contractors' anticipated upcoming year's activity with the Department. At the beginning of each year, all contractors eligible will be contacted by the Department to determine the number of trainees that will be assigned for the upcoming calendar year. At that time the Contractor shall enter into an agreement with the Department to provide a self-imposed on-the-job training program for the calendar year. This agreement will include a specific number of annual training goals agreed to by both parties. The number of training assignments may range from 1 to 15 per contractor per calendar year. The Contractor shall sign an agreement to fulfill their annual goal for the year. A sample agreement is available at [www.ncdot.org/business/ocs/ojt/](http://www.ncdot.org/business/ocs/ojt/).

#### **Training Classifications**

The Contractor shall provide on-the-job training aimed at developing full journeyman level workers in the construction craft/operator positions. Preference shall be given to providing training in the following skilled work classifications:

Equipment Operators	Office Engineers
Truck Drivers	Estimators
Carpenters	Iron / Reinforcing Steel Workers
Concrete Finishers	Mechanics



## Pipe Layers

## Welders

The Department has established common training classifications and their respective training requirements that may be used by the contractors. However, the classifications established are not all-inclusive. Where the training is oriented toward construction applications, training will be allowed in lower-level management positions such as office engineers and estimators. Contractors shall submit new classifications for specific job functions that their employees are performing. The Department will review and recommend for acceptance to FHWA the new classifications proposed by contractors, if applicable. New classifications shall meet the following requirements:

Proposed training classifications are reasonable and realistic based on the job skill classification needs, and

The number of training hours specified in the training classification is consistent with common practices and provides enough time for the trainee to obtain journeyman level status.

The Contractor may allow trainees to be trained by a subcontractor provided that the Contractor retains primary responsibility for meeting the training and this provision is made applicable to the subcontract. However, only the Contractor will receive credit towards the annual goal for the trainee.

Where feasible, 25 percent of apprentices or trainees in each occupation shall be in their first year of apprenticeship or training. The number of trainees shall be distributed among the work classifications on the basis of the contractor's needs and the availability of journeymen in the various classifications within a reasonable area of recruitment.

No employee shall be employed as a trainee in any classification in which they have successfully completed a training course leading to journeyman level status or in which they have been employed as a journeyman.

### **Records and Reports**

The Contractor shall maintain enrollment, monthly and completion reports documenting company compliance under these contract documents. These documents and any other information as requested shall be submitted to the OJT Program Manager.

Upon completion and graduation of the program, the Contractor shall provide each trainee with a certification Certificate showing the type and length of training satisfactorily completed.

### **Trainee Interviews**

All trainees enrolled in the program will receive an initial and Trainee/Post graduate interview conducted by the OJT program staff.

### **Trainee Wages**

Contractors shall compensate trainees on a graduating pay scale based upon a percentage of the prevailing minimum journeyman wages (Davis-Bacon Act). Minimum pay shall be as follows:

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| 60 percent | of the journeyman wage for the first half of the training period    |
| 75 percent | of the journeyman wage for the third quarter of the training period |

90 percent of the journeyman wage for the last quarter of the training period

In no instance shall a trainee be paid less than the local minimum wage. The Contractor shall adhere to the minimum hourly wage rate that will satisfy both the NC Department of Labor (NCDOL) and the Department.

**Achieving or Failing to Meet Training Goals**

The Contractor will be credited for each trainee employed by him on the contract work who is currently enrolled or becomes enrolled in an approved program and who receives training for at least 50 percent of the specific program requirement. Trainees will be allowed to be transferred between projects if required by the Contractor's scheduled workload to meet training goals.

If a contractor fails to attain their training assignments for the calendar year, they may be taken off the NCDOT's Bidders List.

**Measurement and Payment**

No compensation will be made for providing required training in accordance with these contract documents.

**\*AWARD LIMITS ON MULTIPLE PROJECTS\***

It is the desire of the Proposer to be awarded contracts, the value of which will not exceed a total of \$ \_\_\_\_\_, for those projects indicated below on which bids are being opened on the same date as shown in the Proposal Form. Individual projects shall be indicated by placing the project number and county in the appropriate place below. Projects not selected will not be subject to an award limit.

(Project Number)	(County)
(Project Number)	(County)
(Project Number)	(County)
(Project Number)	(County)

\*If a Proposer desires to limit the total amount of work awarded to him in this letting, he shall state such limit in the space provided above in the second line of this form.

It is agreed that in the event that I am (we are) the successful bidder on indicated projects, the total value of which is more that the above stipulated award limits, the Board of Transportation will award me (us) projects from among those indicated which have a total value not exceeding the award limit and which will result in the best advantage to the Department of Transportation.

\_\_\_\_\_  
\*\*Signature of Authorized Person

\*\*Only those persons authorized to sign bids under the provisions of Article 102-8, Item 7, shall be authorized to sign this form.

## LISTING OF MBE & WBE SUBCONTRACTORS

Sheet \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_

FIRM NAME AND ADDRESS	MBE or WBE	ITEM NO.	ITEM DESCRIPTION	* AGREED UPON UNIT PRICE	** DOLLAR VOLUME OF ITEM

Contract No. \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_ Firm \_\_\_\_\_

**This form must be completed in order for the Bid to be considered responsive and be publicly read. Bidders with no MBE and/or WBE participation must so indicate this on the form by entering the word or number zero.**

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\* The Dollar Volume shown in this column shall be the Actual Price Agreed Upon by the Prime Contractor and the MBE and/or WBE subcontractor, and these prices will be used to determine the percentage of the MBE and/or WBE participation in the contract.  
\*\* Must have entry even if figure to be entered is zero.

\*\* Dollar Volume of MBE Subcontractor \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
MBE Percentage of Total Contract Bid Price \_\_\_\_\_ %  
\*\* Dollar Volume of WBE Subcontractor \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
WBE Percentage of Total Contract Bid Price \_\_\_\_\_ %

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**EXECUTION OF BID  
NON-COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT, DEBARMENT CERTIFICATION AND GIFT BAN CERTIFICATION**

**CORPORATION**

The person executing the bid, on behalf of the Bidder, being duly sworn, solemnly swears (or affirms) that neither he, nor any official, agent or employee of the bidder has entered into any agreement, participated in any collusion, or otherwise taken any action which is in restraint of free competitive bidding in connection with any bid or contract, that the bidder has not been convicted of violating *N.C.G.S. § 133-24* within the last three years, and that the Bidder intends to do the work with its own bonafide employees or subcontractors and is not bidding for the benefit of another contractor.

In addition, execution of this bid in the proper manner also constitutes the Bidder's certification of status under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States in accordance with the Debarment Certification attached, provided that the Debarment Certification also includes any required statements concerning exceptions that are applicable.

*N.C.G.S. § 133-32* and Executive Order 24 prohibit the offer to, or acceptance by, any State Employee of any gift from anyone with a contract with the State, or from any person seeking to do business with the State. By execution of any response in this procurement, you attest, for your entire organization and its employees or agents, that you are not aware that any such gift has been offered, accepted, or promised by any employees of your organization.

**SIGNATURE OF CONTRACTOR**

\_\_\_\_\_ Full name of Corporation

\_\_\_\_\_ Address as Prequalified

Attest \_\_\_\_\_  
Secretary/Assistant Secretary  
*Select appropriate title*

By \_\_\_\_\_  
President/Vice President/Assistant Vice President  
*Select appropriate title*

\_\_\_\_\_ Print or type Signer's name

\_\_\_\_\_ Print or type Signer's name

**CORPORATE SEAL**

**AFFIDAVIT MUST BE NOTARIZED**

Subscribed and sworn to before me this the  
\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_.

**NOTARY SEAL**

\_\_\_\_\_ Signature of Notary Public

of \_\_\_\_\_ County

State of \_\_\_\_\_

My Commission Expires: \_\_\_\_\_

**EXECUTION OF BID  
NON-COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT, DEBARMENT CERTIFICATION AND GIFT BAN CERTIFICATION  
PARTNERSHIP**

The person executing the bid, on behalf of the Bidder, being duly sworn, solemnly swears (or affirms) that neither he, nor any official, agent or employee of the bidder has entered into any agreement, participated in any collusion, or otherwise taken any action which is in restraint of free competitive bidding in connection with any bid or contract, that the bidder has not been convicted of violating *N.C.G.S. § 133-24* within the last three years, and that the Bidder intends to do the work with its own bonafide employees or subcontractors and is not bidding for the benefit of another contractor.

In addition, execution of this bid in the proper manner also constitutes the Bidder's certification of status under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States in accordance with the Debarment Certification attached, provided that the Debarment Certification also includes any required statements concerning exceptions that are applicable.

*N.C.G.S. § 133-32* and Executive Order 24 prohibit the offer to, or acceptance by, any State Employee of any gift from anyone with a contract with the State, or from any person seeking to do business with the State. By execution of any response in this procurement, you attest, for your entire organization and its employees or agents, that you are not aware that any such gift has been offered, accepted, or promised by any employees of your organization.

**SIGNATURE OF CONTRACTOR**

\_\_\_\_\_ Full Name of Partnership

\_\_\_\_\_ Address as Prequalified

\_\_\_\_\_ By \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Witness Signature of Partner

\_\_\_\_\_ Print or type Signer's name

\_\_\_\_\_ Print or type Signer's name

**AFFIDAVIT MUST BE NOTARIZED**

Subscribed and sworn to before me this the

**NOTARY SEAL**

\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_ Signature of Notary Public

of \_\_\_\_\_ County

State of \_\_\_\_\_

My Commission Expires: \_\_\_\_\_

**EXECUTION OF BID  
NON-COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT, DEBARMENT CERTIFICATION AND GIFT BAN CERTIFICATION**

**LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY**

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In addition, execution of this bid in the proper manner also constitutes the Bidder's certification of status under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States in accordance with the Debarment Certification attached, provided that the Debarment Certification also includes any required statements concerning exceptions that are applicable.

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**SIGNATURE OF CONTRACTOR**

\_\_\_\_\_ Full Name of Firm

\_\_\_\_\_ Address as Prequalified

\_\_\_\_\_ Signature of Witness

\_\_\_\_\_ Signature of Member/Manager/Authorized Agent  
*Select appropriate title*

\_\_\_\_\_ Print or type Signer's name

\_\_\_\_\_ Print or type Signer's Name

**AFFIDAVIT MUST BE NOTARIZED**

Subscribed and sworn to before me this the

**NOTARY SEAL**

\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_ Signature of Notary Public

of \_\_\_\_\_ County

State of \_\_\_\_\_

My Commission Expires: \_\_\_\_\_



**EXECUTION OF BID  
NON-COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT, DEBARMENT CERTIFICATION AND GIFT BAN CERTIFICATION  
JOINT VENTURE (2) or (3)**

The person executing the bid, on behalf of the Bidder, being duly sworn, solemnly swears (or affirms) that neither he, nor any official, agent or employee of the bidder has entered into any agreement, participated in any collusion, or otherwise taken any action which is in restraint of free competitive bidding in connection with any bid or contract, that the bidder has not been convicted of violating *N.C.G.S. § 133-24* within the last three years, and that the Bidder intends to do the work with its own bonafide employees or subcontractors and is not bidding for the benefit of another contractor.

In addition, execution of this bid in the proper manner also constitutes the Bidder's certification of status under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States in accordance with the Debarment Certification attached, provided that the Debarment Certification also includes any required statements concerning exceptions that are applicable.

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**SIGNATURE OF CONTRACTOR**

Instructions: **2 Joint Venturers** Fill in lines (1), (2) and (3) and execute. **3 Joint Venturers** Fill in lines (1), (2), (3) and (4) and execute. On Line (1), fill in the name of the Joint Venture Company. On Line (2), fill in the name of one of the joint venturers and execute below in the appropriate manner. On Line (3), print or type the name of the other joint venturer and execute below in the appropriate manner. On Line (4), fill in the name of the third joint venturer, if applicable and execute below in the appropriate manner.

(1) \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Joint Venture

(2) \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Contractor

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address as Prequalified

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Witness or Attest By \_\_\_\_\_  
Print or type Signer's name Signature of Contractor  
Print or type Signer's name

*If Corporation, affix Corporate Seal* and

(3) \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Contractor

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address as Prequalified

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Witness or Attest By \_\_\_\_\_  
Print or type Signer's name Signature of Contractor  
Print or type Signer's name

*If Corporation, affix Corporate Seal* and

(4) \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Contractor (for 3 Joint Venture only)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address as Prequalified

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Witness or Attest By \_\_\_\_\_  
Print or type Signer's name Signature of Contractor  
Print or type Signer's name

*If Corporation, affix Corporate Seal*

**NOTARY SEAL**  
*Affidavit must be notarized for Line (2)*  
Subscribed and sworn to before me this  
\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Notary Public  
of \_\_\_\_\_ County  
State of \_\_\_\_\_  
My Commission Expires: \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTARY SEAL**  
*Affidavit must be notarized for Line (3)*  
Subscribed and sworn to before me this  
\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Notary Public  
of \_\_\_\_\_ County  
State of \_\_\_\_\_  
My Commission Expires: \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTARY SEAL**  
*Affidavit must be notarized for Line (4)*  
Subscribed and sworn to before me this  
\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Notary Public  
of \_\_\_\_\_ County  
State of \_\_\_\_\_  
My Commission Expires: \_\_\_\_\_

**EXECUTION OF BID  
NON-COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT, DEBARMENT CERTIFICATION AND GIFT BAN CERTIFICATION  
INDIVIDUAL DOING BUSINESS UNDER A FIRM NAME**

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**SIGNATURE OF CONTRACTOR**

Name of Contractor

\_\_\_\_\_ Individual name

Trading and doing business as

\_\_\_\_\_ Full name of Firm

\_\_\_\_\_ Address as Prequalified

\_\_\_\_\_ Signature of Witness

\_\_\_\_\_ Signature of Contractor, Individually

\_\_\_\_\_ Print or type Signer's name

\_\_\_\_\_ Print or type Signer's name

**AFFIDAVIT MUST BE NOTARIZED**

Subscribed and sworn to before me this the

**NOTARY SEAL**

\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_ Signature of Notary Public

of \_\_\_\_\_ County

State of \_\_\_\_\_

My Commission Expires: \_\_\_\_\_

**EXECUTION OF BID  
NON-COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT, DEBARMENT CERTIFICATION AND GIFT BAN CERTIFICATION  
INDIVIDUAL DOING BUSINESS IN HIS OWN NAME**

The person executing the bid, on behalf of the Bidder, being duly sworn, solemnly swears (or affirms) that neither he, nor any official, agent or employee of the bidder has entered into any agreement, participated in any collusion, or otherwise taken any action which is in restraint of free competitive bidding in connection with any bid or contract, that the bidder has not been convicted of violating *N.C.G.S. § 133-24* within the last three years, and that the Bidder intends to do the work with its own bonafide employees or subcontractors and is not bidding for the benefit of another contractor.

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**SIGNATURE OF CONTRACTOR**

Name of Contractor \_\_\_\_\_  
Print or type Individual name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address as Prequalified

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Contractor, Individually

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print or type Signer's Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Witness

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print or type Signer's name

**AFFIDAVIT MUST BE NOTARIZED**

Subscribed and sworn to before me this the \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_.

**NOTARY SEAL**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Notary Public

of \_\_\_\_\_ County

State of \_\_\_\_\_

My Commission Expires: \_\_\_\_\_

## DEBARMENT CERTIFICATION

Conditions for certification:

1. The prequalified bidder shall provide immediate written notice to the Department if at any time the bidder learns that his certification was erroneous when he submitted his debarment certification or explanation filed with the Department, or has become erroneous because of changed circumstances.
2. The terms *covered transaction, debarred, suspended, ineligible, lower tier covered transaction, participant, person, primary covered transaction, principal, proposal, and voluntarily excluded*, as used in this provision, have the meanings set out in the Definitions and Coverage sections of the rules implementing Executive Order 12549. A copy of the Federal Rules requiring this certification and detailing the definitions and coverages may be obtained from the Contract Officer of the Department.
3. The prequalified bidder agrees by submitting this form, that he will not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in NCDOT contracts, unless authorized by the Department.
4. For Federal Aid projects, the prequalified bidder further agrees that by submitting this form he will include the Federal-Aid Provision titled *Required Contract Provisions Federal-Aid Construction Contract (Form FHWA PR 1273)* provided by the Department, without subsequent modification, in all lower tier covered transactions.
5. The prequalified bidder may rely upon a certification of a participant in a lower tier covered transaction that he is not debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from the covered transaction, unless he knows that the certification is erroneous. The bidder may decide the method and frequency by which he will determine the eligibility of his subcontractors.
6. Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render in good faith the certification required by this provision. The knowledge and information of a participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.
7. Except as authorized in paragraph 6 herein, the Department may terminate any contract if the bidder knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is suspended, debarred, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to other remedies available by the Federal Government.

### **DEBARMENT CERTIFICATION**

The prequalified bidder certifies to the best of his knowledge and belief, that he and his principals:

- a. Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any Federal department or agency;
- b. Have not within a three-year period preceding this proposal been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, State or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of Federal or State antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records; making false statements; or receiving stolen property;
- c. Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (Federal, State or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph b. of this certification; and
- d. Have not within a three-year period preceding this proposal had one or more public transactions (Federal, State or local) terminated for cause or default.
- e. Will submit a revised Debarment Certification immediately if his status changes and will show in his bid proposal an explanation for the change in status.

If the prequalified bidder cannot certify that he is not debarred, he shall provide an explanation with this submittal. An explanation will not necessarily result in denial of participation in a contract.

Failure to submit a non-collusion affidavit and debarment certification will result in the prequalified bidder's bid being considered non-responsive.

Check here if an explanation is attached to this certification.

# North Carolina Department of Transportation BID FORM

**CONTRACT:** DB00071  
**WBS ELEMENT:** 17BP.2.P.6  
**COUNTIES:** Beaufort, Pitt  
**DESCRIPTION:** Cleaning and Painting of Bridges #28, #56, #75 in Beaufort County and #1, #14, #72, #89 in Pitt County

**BID OPENING: May 23, 2012**

LINE #	ITEM NUMBER	SECT	DESCRIPTION	QTY	UNIT	UNIT PRICE	AMOUNT BID
1	0000100000-N	800	MOBILIZATION	1	LS		
2	4399000000-N	1105	TEMPORARY TRAFFIC CONTROL	1	LS		
3	8860000000-N	SP	CLEANING AND PAINTING OF BEAUFORT CO. BRIDGE #28	1	LS		
4	8860000000-N	SP	CLEANING AND PAINTING OF BEAUFORT CO. BRIDGE #56	1	LS		
5	8860000000-N	SP	CLEANING AND PAINTING OF BEAUFORT CO. BRIDGE #75	1	LS		
6	8860000000-N	SP	CLEANING AND PAINTING OF PITT CO. BRIDGE #1	1	LS		
7	8860000000-N	SP	CLEANING AND PAINTING OF PITT CO. BRIDGE #14	1	LS		
8	8860000000-N	SP	CLEANING AND PAINTING OF PITT CO. BRIDGE #72	1	LS		
9	8860000000-N	SP	CLEANING AND PAINTING OF PITT CO. BRIDGE #89	1	LS		
10	8860000000-N	SP	POLLUTION CONTROL	1	LS		

***TOTAL BID FOR PROJECT:*** \_\_\_\_\_

CONTRACTOR \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

Federal Identification Number \_\_\_\_\_ Contractors License Number \_\_\_\_\_

Authorized Agent \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Witness \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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**THIS SECTION TO BE COMPLETED BY NC DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

*This bid has been reviewed in accordance with Article 103-1 of the Standard Specifications for Roads and Structures 2012.*

*Reviewed by NCDOT* \_\_\_\_\_ *Date* \_\_\_\_\_  
*Contract Officer*

*Accepted by NCDOT* \_\_\_\_\_ *Date* \_\_\_\_\_  
*Division Engineer*