

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA  
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**



**DIVISION 9  
CONTRACT PROPOSAL**

<b>CONTRACT NO.:</b>	<b>D9-FIBER-14</b>		
<b>ROUTES:</b>	<b>VARIOUS SITES</b>	<b>COUNTIES:</b>	<b>DAVIDSON DAVIE FORSYTH ROWAN STOKES</b>
<b>TYPE OF WORK:</b>	<b>THIS IS A MAINTENANCE CONTRACT TO FURNISH AND INSTALL COMPLETE SINGLE MODE FIBER-OPTIC COMMUNICATION SYSTEM WITHIN NCDOT DIVISION 9. THESE SYSTEMS WILL INCLUDE AERIAL AND UNDERGROUND SPLICE ENCLOSURES AND DELINEATOR MARKERS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PLANS AND/OR SPECIFICATIONS WITHIN DAVIDSON, DAVIE, FORSYTH, ROWAN AND STOKES COUNTIES.</b>		
<b>BID OPENING:</b>	<b>DIVISION 9 OFFICE 375 SILAS CREEK PARKWAY WINSTON-SALEM, NC 27127  JUNE 11, 2014                      10:00am</b>		

**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.**

**ALL BIDDERS MUST BE PREQUALIFIED AS A "BIDDER" or "SUBCONTRACTOR" WITH NCDOT PRIOR TO BID OPENING.**

NAME OF BIDDER

N.C. CONTRACTOR'S LICENSE NUMBER

ADDRESS OF BIDDER  
RETURN BIDS TO:

**J. Brett Abernathy, PE, PLS  
Division 9 Project Manager  
N. C. Department of Transportation  
375 Silas Creek Parkway  
Winston-Salem, North Carolina 27127**

If you have any questions concerning this contract, contact J.P. Couch at (336) 747-7800.

**CONTRACT NO.: D9-FIBER-14 IN DAVIDSON, DAVIE, FORSYTH, ROWAN AND STOKES  
COUNTIES, NORTH CAROLINA**

**DATE MAY 21, 2014**

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

The Bidder has carefully examined the location of the proposed work to be known as Contract No.: D9-FIBER-14; 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 by the Board of Transportation 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.: **D9-FIBER-14 in Davidson, Davie, Forsyth, Rowan and Stokes 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.

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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. NO BID BONDS REQUIRED.**

1. The bid sheet furnished by NCDOT with the proposal shall be used and shall not be altered in any manner.
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 bid prices must 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. Do NOT use white-out.
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 of individual or representative submitting bid and position or title.
  - c. Name, signature, and position or title of witness.
  - d. Federal Identification Number
  - e. Contractor's License Number
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 ENTIRE PROPOSAL INCLUDING BID FORMS SHALL BE PLACED IN A SEALED ENVELOPE AND SHALL HAVE BEEN DELIVERED TO AND RECEIVED IN THE DIVISION OFFICE AT 375 SILAS CREEK PARKWAY, WINSTON-SALEM, NC 27127 BY 10:00 A.M. ON JUNE 11, 2014.**
12. The sealed bid must display the following statement on the front of the sealed envelope:

**Name and Address of Company and:**

**"THIS IS A MAINTENANCE CONTRACT TO FURNISH AND INSTALL COMPLETE SINGLE MODE FIBER-OPTIC COMMUNICATION SYSTEM WITHIN NCDOT DIVISION 9. THESE SYSTEMS WILL INCLUDE AERIAL AND UNDERGROUND SPLICE ENCLOSURES AND DELINEATOR MARKERS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PLANS AND/OR SPECIFICATIONS WITHIN DAVIDSON, DAVIE, FORSYTH, ROWAN AND STOKES COUNTIES TO BE OPENED AT 10:00AM ON JUNE 11, 2014."**

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

**J. Brett Abernathy, PE, PLS  
Division 9 Project Manager  
N. C. Department of Transportation  
375 Silas Creek Parkway  
Winston-Salem, North Carolina 27127**

### **AWARD OF CONTRACT**

The award of the contract, if it be awarded, will be made to the lowest responsible Bidder. 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 any and all bids.

# STANDARD PROVISIONS

## GENERAL

This contract is for **A MAINTENANCE CONTRACT TO FURNISH AND INSTALL COMPLETE SINGLE MODE FIBER-OPTIC COMMUNICATION SYSTEM WITHIN NCDOT DIVISION 9. THESE SYSTEMS WILL INCLUDE AERIAL AND UNDERGROUND SPLICE ENCLOSURES AND DELINEATOR MARKERS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PLANS AND/OR SPECIFICATIONS WITHIN DAVIDSON, DAVIE, FORSYTH, ROWAN AND STOKES COUNTIES.**

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

**The following is the link to the current edition of the NCDOT “Standard Specifications for Roads and Structures” and “Roadway Standard Drawings”**  
[http://ncdot.org/doh/preconstruct/ps/specifications/specifications\\_provisions.html](http://ncdot.org/doh/preconstruct/ps/specifications/specifications_provisions.html)  
[http://ncdot.org/doh/preconstruct/ps/std\\_draw/06english/default.html](http://ncdot.org/doh/preconstruct/ps/std_draw/06english/default.html)

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 current edition of the Standard Specifications for Roads and Structures.

## CONTRACT TIME AND LIQUIDATED DAMAGES

The date of availability for this contract is the date of execution of the purchase order.

The completion date is one year from date of purchase order.

The Contractor may begin work prior to this date upon approval of the Engineer or his duly authorized representative. If such approval is given, and the Contractor begins work prior to the date of availability, the Department of Transportation will assume no responsibility for any delays caused prior to the date of availability by any reason whatsoever, and such delays, if any, will not constitute a valid reason for extending the completion date. No work will be permitted and no purchase order will be issued until all required bonds and pre-requisite conditions and certifications have been satisfied.

**Work must begin within ten working days from the date of notification by the Engineer or his/her representative. If work does not begin within ten working days from date of notification by the Engineer liquidated damages of one hundred and fifty Dollars (\$150.00) per calendar day will be assessed.**

Notification to any personnel of the company will be considered the date of notification. The Contractor may be required to work at multiple intersections during the same period. No extensions will be authorized except as authorized by Article 108-10 of the Standard Specifications.

## CPI (PRICE ADJUSTMENT)

The compensation payable to the contractor shall be fixed for the first twelve months of this contract. However, upon an application by the contract, or sixty (60) days prior to the end of each contract period, the renewal contract may be adjusted to reflect the adjustment in the Consumer Price Index for the previous twelve (12) month period as published by the US Bureau of Labor Statistics. If the amount of the requested adjustment is more than ten (10) percent, the Department of Transportation reserves the right to cancel this contract.

<ftp://ftp.bls.gov/pub/special.requests/cpi/cpi.txt>

**The CPI will be determined from a 12-month period. Example below:**

Year	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D
2009	211.1	212.2	212.7	213.2	213.8	215.7	215.3	215.8	215.9	216.2	216.3	215.9
2010	216.7	216.7	217.6	218.0	218.2	217.9	218.0	218.3	218.4	218.7	218.8	219.2
2011	220.2	221.3	223.4	224.9	225.9	225.7	225.9	226.6	226.9	226.4	226.2	225.7
2012	226.7											

CPI for current period	226.7
Less CPI for previous period	<u>220.2</u>
Equals index point change	6.5
Divided by previous period CPI	220.2
Equals	0.0295
<u>Result multiplied by 100</u>	<u>0.0295 x 100</u>
Equals percentage change	2.95 %

All line items in this contract (except asphalt items) will be adjusted by the calculated percentage at the time of renewal for CPI (Price Adjustment).

**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.

**BIDS**

In accordance with GS 136-28.1(b), if the total bid amount of the contract exceeds \$2,500,000.00, the bid will not be considered for award.

**AUTHORITY OF THE ENGINEER**

The Engineer for this project shall be the Division Engineer, Division 9, Division of Highways, North Carolina Department of Transportation, acting directly or through his duly authorized representatives.

The Engineer will decide all questions, which may arise as to the quality and acceptability of work performed and as to the rate of progress of the work. All questions which may arise as to the interpretation of the contract; and all questions as to the acceptable fulfillment of the contract on the part of the Contractor. His decision shall be final and he shall have executive authority to enforce and make effective such decisions and orders as the Contractor fails to carry out promptly.

**MATERIALS AND TESTING**

The Contractor shall furnish the applicable certifications and documentation for all materials as required by the Standard Specifications. Material, which is not properly certified, will not be accepted.

**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.

**SUPERVISION BY CONTRACTOR**

At all times during the life of the project the Contractor shall provide one permanent employee who shall have the authority and capability for overall responsibility of the project and who shall be personally available at the work site within 24 hour notice. Such employee shall be fully authorized to conduct all business with the subcontractors, to negotiate and execute all supplemental agreements, and to execute the orders or directions of the Engineer.

At all times that work is actually being performed, the Contractor shall have present on the project one competent individual who is authorized to act in a supervisory capacity over all work on the project, including work

subcontracted. The individual who has been so authorized shall be experienced in the type of work being performed and shall be fully capable of managing, directing, and coordinating the work; of reading and thoroughly understanding the contract; and receiving and carrying out directions from the Engineer or his authorized representatives. He shall be an employee of the Contractor unless otherwise approved by the Engineer.

The Contractor may, at his option, designate one employee to meet the requirements of both positions. However, whenever the designated employee is absent from the work site, an authorized individual qualified to act in a supervisory capacity on the project shall be present.

### **SAFETY AND ACCIDENT PROTECTION**

In accordance with Article 107-22 of the Standard Specifications, the Contractor shall comply with all applicable Federal, State, and local laws, ordinances, and regulations governing safety, health, and sanitation, and shall provide all safeguards, safety devices, and protective equipment, and shall take any other needed actions, on his own responsibility that are reasonably necessary to protect the life and health of employees on the job and the safety of the public, and to protect property in connection with the performance of the work covered by the contract.

### **SUBLETTING OF CONTRACT**

The Contractor shall not sublet, sell, transfer, assign or otherwise dispose of this contract or any portion thereof; or his rights, title, or interest therein without written consent of the Engineer. Subletting of this contract or any portion of the contract shall conform to the requirements of Article of 108-6 of the *Standard Specifications*.

### **UTILITY CONFLICTS**

It shall be the responsibility of the Contractor to contact all affected utility owners and determine the precise locations of all utilities prior to beginning construction. Utility owners shall be contacted prior to the commencement of operations per the 811 Law. Special care shall be used in working around or near existing utilities, protecting them when necessary to provide uninterrupted service. In the event that any utility service is interrupted, the Contractor shall notify the utility owner immediately and shall cooperate with the owner, or his representative, in the restoration of service in the shortest time possible. Existing fire hydrants shall be kept accessible to fire departments at all times.

The Contractor shall adhere to all applicable regulations and follow accepted safety procedures when working in the vicinity of utilities in order to insure the safety of construction personnel and the public.

### **DEFAULT OF CONTRACT**

The Department of Transportation shall have the right to declare a default of contract for breach by the Contractor of any material term or condition of the contract. Default of contract shall be in accordance with the terms, conditions, and procedures of Article 108-9 of the *Standard Specifications*.

### **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 days shall be a bar to recovery.

### **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 or equipment to the project. The Contractor should make a thorough examination of all maps and haul routes on this project.

## **ENGINEERING CONTROL**

Engineering control and inspection will be by the North Carolina Department of Transportation. The Contractor will cut test samples as directed by the Engineer. All other field engineering will be the responsibility of the Contractor and considered as incidental to the project bid.

## **BANKRUPTCY**

The Department of Transportation, at its option, may terminate the contract upon filing by the Contractor of any petition for protection under the provisions of the Federal Bankruptcy Act.

## **AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS – CONTRACT TERMINATION**

Payments on this contract are subject to availability of funds as allocated by the General Assembly. If the General Assembly fails to allocate adequate funds, the Department reserves the right to terminate this contract.

In the event of termination, 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 AND RETAINAGE**

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. Requests for payment can be made on the form furnished to the Contractor by the Department of Transportation. The form shall be completely and legibly filled out with all appropriate information supplied and shall be signed by an authorized representative of the Contractor.

If the request for payment is made by Contractor's Invoice, the Invoice shall be submitted in to:

**North Carolina Department of Transportation  
Attention: John Paul Couch, P.E., Division Traffic Engineer  
375 Silas Creek Parkway  
Winston-Salem, NC 27127**

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.

Minority Business (MB) and Women's Business (WB) participation shall be listed in the appropriate spaces on all requests for payment. If there is no participation the word "None" or the figure "0" shall be entered.

## **TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF WORK**

In accordance with Article 108-7 of the Standard Specifications, the Engineer will have the authority to suspend the work wholly or in part, any written order for such periods, as he may deem necessary for any of the following reasons.

Conditions considered unfavorable for the suitable prosecution of the work, or

1. The Contractor's failure for correct conditions unsafe for workmen or the general public, or
2. The Contractor has not carried out orders given to him by the Engineer, or
3. The Contractor's failure to perform any provisions of the contract.

No extension of the completion date will be allowed for the above suspensions except as may be provided for in Article 108-10.

## **PROSECUTION AND PROGRESS**

The Contractor shall prepare and submit to the Engineer a proposed schedule of operations prior to beginning work on this project. The schedule should indicate the proposed chronological sequence of operations and may be revised within the limits of the contract with the approval of the Engineer.

The Contractor's operations are restricted to daylight hours. No work may be performed on Sundays and Legal State holidays, unless approved by the Engineer. Work shall only be performed when weather and visibility conditions allow safe operations. The Contractor shall not close lanes or restrict traffic between the hours of 7:00 to 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. on weekdays.

If work is required on the Interstate, the contractor will not close lanes or restrict traffic between the hours of 7:00 to 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 and 6:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday. There will be no lane closures on the Interstates on Fridays without written approval/permission from the Engineer.

The Contractor's vehicles and equipment shall not be parked within the State Highway System right of way overnight or at other times when work has been suspended unless approved by the Engineer, and in no case within 30 feet of the edge of pavement. The Engineer may designate specific locations for parking equipment.

The Contractor shall temporarily remove his equipment from the travel way for emergency vehicles and school buses as directed by the Engineer.

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

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### **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. <http://connect.ncdot.gov/projects/construction/Construction%20Forms/DBE%20MBE%20WBE%20Replacement%20Request%20Form.pdf>

*SAF Subcontract Approval Form* - Form required for approval to sublet the contract. <http://connect.ncdot.gov/projects/construction/Construction%20Forms/Subcontract%20Approval%20Form%20Rev.%202012.zip>

*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. <http://connect.ncdot.gov/projects/construction/Construction%20Forms/Joint%20Check%20Notification%20Form.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://connect.ncdot.gov/letting/LetCentral/Letter%20of%20Intent%20to%20Perform%20as%20a%20Subcontractor.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://connect.ncdot.gov/municipalities/Bid%20Proposals%20for%20LGA%20Content/09%20MBE-WBE%20Subcontractors%20\(State\).doc](http://connect.ncdot.gov/municipalities/Bid%20Proposals%20for%20LGA%20Content/09%20MBE-WBE%20Subcontractors%20(State).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://connect.ncdot.gov/business/SmallBusiness/Documents/DBE%20Subcontractor%20Quote%20Comparison%20Example.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%
- (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 %
- (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:

- (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. **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.

- (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, entries on the Listing of MBE and WBE Subcontractors are not required for the zero goal, however any MBE or WBE participation that is achieved during the project shall be reported in accordance with requirements contained elsewhere in the special provision.*

#### **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 Engineer 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 Engineer 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 Engineer 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 Engineer 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 Engineer 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 Engineer 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, written notices, use of verifiable electronic means 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.
  - (1) Where appropriate, break 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.
  - (2) Negotiate with subcontractors to assume part of the responsibility to meet the contract MBE/WBE goals when the work to be sublet includes potential for MBE/WBE participation (2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> tier subcontractors).
- (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 Engineer 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 Engineer. 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.

### **SUBSURFACE INFORMATION**

(7-1-95)

450

SP1 G112 A

There is **no** subsurface information available on this project. The Contractor shall make his own investigation of subsurface conditions.

### **LOCATING EXISTING UNDERGROUND UTILITIES**

(3-20-12)

105

SP1 G115

Revise the *2012 Standard Specifications* as follows:

**Page 1-43, Article 105-8, line 28, after the first sentence, add the following:**

Identify excavation locations by means of pre-marking with white paint, flags, or stakes or provide a specific written description of the location in the locate request.

### **RESOURCE CONSERVATION**

(5-21-13)

104-13

SP1 G118

In accordance with North Carolina Executive Order 156, NCGS 130A-309.14(2), and NCGS 136-28.8, it is the policy of the Department to aid in the reduction of materials that become a part of our solid waste stream, to divert materials from landfills, and to find ways to recycle and reuse materials for the benefit of the Citizens of North Carolina.

Initiate, develop and use products and construction methods that incorporate the use of recycled or solid waste products in accordance with Article 104-13 of the *2012 Standard Specifications*. Report the quantities of reused or recycled materials either incorporated in the project or diverted from landfills on the Project Construction Reuse and Recycling Reporting Form.

A location-based tool for finding local recycling facilities and the Project Construction Reuse and Recycling Reporting Form are available at:

<http://connect.ncdot.gov/resources/Environmental/Pages/North-Carolina-Recycling-Locations.aspx>

### **DOMESTIC STEEL**

(4-16-13)

106

SP1 G120

Revise the *2012 Standard Specifications* as follows:

**Page 1-49, Subarticle 106-1(B) Domestic Steel, lines 2-7, replace the first paragraph with the following:**

All steel and iron products that are permanently incorporated into this project shall be produced in the United States except minimal amounts of foreign steel and iron products may be used provided the combined material cost of the items involved does not exceed 0.1% of the total amount bid for the entire project or \$2,500, whichever is greater. If invoices showing the cost of the material are not provided, the amount of the bid item involving the foreign material will be used for calculations. This minimal amount of foreign produced steel and iron products permitted for use is not applicable to high strength fasteners. Domestically produced high strength fasteners are required.

**OUTSOURCING OUTSIDE THE USA**

(9-21-04) (Rev. 5-16-06)

SP1 G150

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)

107-1

SP1 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:

- (A) Have a contract with a governmental agency; or
- (B) Have performed under such a contract within the past year; or
- (C) 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 *N.C.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

SP1 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.

**STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATOR TITLE CHANGE**

(9-18-12)

SP1 G185

Revise the *2012 Standard Specifications* as follows:

Replace all references to “State Highway Administrator” with “Chief Engineer”.

# PROJECT SPECIAL PROVISIONS - ROADWAY

## MATERIALS

(2-21-12) (Rev. 5-20-14)

1000, 1002, 1005, 1024, 1050, 1056, 1074, 1078, 1080, 1081, 1086, 1084, 1087, 1092

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Revise the 2012 Standard Specifications as follows:

Page 10-1, Article 1000-1, DESCRIPTION, lines 9-10, replace the last sentence of the first paragraph with the following:

Type IL, IP, IS or IT blended cement may be used instead of Portland cement.

Page 10-1, Article 1000-1, DESCRIPTION, line 14, add the following:

Use materials which do not produce a mottled appearance through rusting or other staining of the finished concrete surface.

Page 10-5, Table 1000-1, REQUIREMENTS FOR CONCRETE, replace with the following:

Class of Concrete	Min. Comp. Strength at 28 days	Maximum Water-Cement Ratio				Consistency Max. Slump		Cement Content			
		Air-Entrained Concrete		Non Air-Entrained Concrete		Vibrated	Non-Vibrated	Vibrated		Non-Vibrated	
		Rounded Aggregate	Angular Aggregate	Rounded Aggregate	Angular Aggregate			Min.	Max.	Min.	Max.
Units	psi							lb/cy	lb/cy	lb/cy	lb/cy
AA	4,500	0.381	0.426	-	-	3.5	-	639	715	-	-
AA Slip Form	4,500	0.381	0.426	-	-	1.5	-	639	715	-	-
Drilled Pier	4,500	-	-	0.450	0.450	-	5-7 dry 7-9 wet	-	-	640	800
A	3,000	0.488	0.532	0.550	0.594	3.5	4	564	-	602	-
B	2,500	0.488	0.567	0.559	0.630	2.5	4	508	-	545	-
B Slip Formed	2,500	0.488	0.567	-	-	1.5	-	508	-	-	-
Sand Lightweight	4,500	-	0.420	-	-	4	-	715	-	-	-
Latex Modified	3,000 7 day	0.400	0.400	-	-	6	-	658	-	-	-
Flowable Fill excavatable	150 max. at 56 days	as needed	as needed	as needed	as needed	-	Flowable	-	-	40	100
Flowable Fill non-excavatable	125	as needed	as needed	as needed	as needed	-	Flowable	-	-	100	as needed
Pavement	4,500 design, field 650 flexural, design only	0.559	0.559	-	-	1.5 slip form 3.0 hand place	-	526	-	-	-
Precast	See Table 1077-1	as needed	as needed	-	-	6	as needed	as needed	as needed	as needed	as needed
Prestress	per contract	See Table 1078-1	See Table 1078-1	-	-	8	-	564	as needed	-	-

Page 10-1, Article 1000-2, MATERIALS, line 16; Page 10-8, Subarticle 1000-7(A), MATERIALS, line 8; and Page 10-18, Article 1002-2, MATERIALS, line 9, add the following to the table of item references:

Item  
Type IL Blended Cement

Section  
1024-1

Page 10-23, Table 1005-1, AGGREGATE GRADATION-COARSE AGGREGATE, replace with the following:

Std. Size #	Percentage of Total by Weight Passing													Remarks
	2"	1 1/2"	1"	3/4"	1/2"	3/8"	#4	#8	#10	#16	#40	#200		
4	100	90-100	20-55	0-15	-	0-5	-	-	-	-	-	A	Asphalt Plant Mix	
467M	100	95-100	-	35-70	-	0-30	0-5	-	-	-	-	A	Asphalt Plant Mix	
5	-	100	90-100	20-55	0-10	0-5	-	-	-	-	-	A	AST, Sediment Control Stone	
57	-	100	95-100	-	25-60	-	0-10	0-5	-	-	-	A	AST, Str. Concrete, Shoulder Drain, Sediment Control Stone	
57M	-	100	95-100	-	25-45	-	0-10	0-5	-	-	-	A	AST, Concrete Pavement	
6M	-	-	100	90-100	20-55	0-20	0-8	-	-	-	-	A	AST	
67	-	-	100	90-100	-	20-55	0-10	0-5	-	-	-	A	AST, Str. Concrete, Asphalt Plant Mix	
78M	-	-	-	100	98-100	75-100	20-45	0-15	-	-	-	A	Asphalt Plant Mix, AST, Str. Conc, Weep Hole Drains	
14M	-	-	-	-	-	100	35-70	5-20	-	0-8	-	A	Asphalt Plant Mix, AST, Weep Hole Drains, Str. Concrete	
9	-	-	-	-	-	100	85-100	10-40	-	0-10	-	A	AST	
ABC	-	100	75-97	-	55-80	-	35-55	-	25-45	-	14-30	4-12 <sup>B</sup>	Aggregate Base Course, Aggregate Stabilization	
ABC (M)	-	100	75-100	-	45-79	-	20-40	-	0-25	-	-	0-12 <sup>B</sup>	Maintenance Stabilization	
Light-weight C	-	-	-	-	100	80-100	5-40	0-20	-	0-10	-	0-2.5	AST	

- A. See Subarticle 1005-4(A).
- B. See Subarticle 1005-4(B).
- C. For Lightweight Aggregate used in Structural Concrete, see Subarticle 1014-2(E)(6).

Page 10-46, Article 1024-1, PORTLAND CEMENT, line 33, add the following as the ninth paragraph:

Use Type IL blended cement that meets AASHTO M 240, except that the limestone content is limited to between 5 and 12% by weight and the constituents shall be interground. Class F fly ash can replace a portion of Type IL blended cement and shall be replaced as outlined in Subarticle 1000-4(I) for Portland cement. For mixes that contain cement with alkali content between 0.6% and 1.0% and for mixes that contain a reactive aggregate documented by the Department, use a pozzolan in the amount shown in Table 1024-1.

Page 10-65, Article 1050-1, GENERAL, line 41, replace the first sentence with the following:

All fencing material and accessories shall meet Section 106.

Page 10-73, Article 1056-1 DESCRIPTION, lines 7-8, delete the first sentence of the second paragraph and replace with the following:

Use geotextile fabrics that are on the NCDOT Approved Products List.

Page 10-73, Article 1056-2 HANDLING AND STORING, line 17, replace “mechanically stabilized earth (MSE) wall faces” with “temporary wall faces”.

Page 10-74, TABLE 1056-1 GEOTEXTILE REQUIREMENTS, replace table with the following:

TABLE 1056-1 GEOTEXTILE REQUIREMENTS						
Property	Requirement (MARV <sup>A</sup> )					Test Method
	Type 1	Type 2	Type 3 <sup>B</sup>	Type 4	Type 5 <sup>C</sup>	
<i>Typical Application</i>	<i>Shoulder Drains</i>	<i>Under Rip Rap</i>	<i>Temporary Silt Fence</i>	<i>Soil Stabilization</i>	<i>Temporary Walls</i>	
Elongation (MD & CD)	≥ 50%	≥ 50%	≤ 25%	< 50%	< 50%	ASTM D4632
Grab Strength (MD & CD)			100 lb		-	ASTM D4632
Tear Strength (MD & CD)	Table 1 <sup>D</sup> , Class 3	Table 1 <sup>D</sup> , Class 1	-	Table 1 <sup>D</sup> , Class 3	-	ASTM D4533
Puncture Strength			-		-	ASTM D6241
Ultimate Tensile Strength (MD & CD)	-	-	-	-	2,400 lb/ft (unless required otherwise in the contract)	ASTM D4595
Permittivity	Table 2 <sup>D</sup> , 15% to 50% <i>in Situ</i> Soil Passing No. 200 <sup>E</sup>		Table 7 <sup>D</sup>	Table 5 <sup>D</sup>	0.20 sec <sup>-1</sup>	ASTM D4491
Apparent Opening Size					No. 30 <sup>E</sup>	ASTM D4751
UV Stability (Retained Strength)					70%	ASTM D4355

- A. MARV does not apply to elongation
- B. Minimum roll width of 36" required
- C. Minimum roll width of 13 ft required
- D. AASHTO M 288
- E. US Sieve No. per AASHTO M 92

Page 10-115, Subarticle 1074-7(B), Gray Iron Castings, lines 10-11, replace with the first two sentences with the following:

Supply gray iron castings meeting all facets of AASHTO M 306 excluding proof load. Proof load testing will only be required for new casting designs during the design process, and conformance to M306 loading (40,000 lbs.) will be required only when noted on the design documents.

Page 10-126, Table 1078-1, REQUIREMENTS FOR CONCRETE, replace with the following:

<b>TABLE 1078-1 REQUIREMENTS FOR CONCRETE</b>		
Property	28 Day Design Compressive Strength 6,000 psi or less	28 Day Design Compressive Strength greater than 6,000 psi
Maximum Water/Cementitious Material Ratio	0.45	0.40
Maximum Slump without HRWR	3.5"	3.5"
Maximum Slump with HRWR	8"	8"
Air Content (upon discharge into forms)	5 + 2%	5 + 2%

Page 10-151, Article 1080-4 Inspection and Sampling, lines 18-22, replace (B), (C) and (D) with the following:

- (B) At least 3 panels prepared as specified in 5.5.10 of AASHTO M 300, Bullet Hole Immersion Test.
- (C) At least 3 panels of 4"x6"x1/4" for the Elcometer Adhesion Pull Off Test, ASTM D4541.
- (D) A certified test report from an approved independent testing laboratory for the Salt Fog Resistance Test, Cyclic Weathering Resistance Test, and Bullet Hole Immersion Test as specified in AASHTO M 300.
- (E) A certified test report from an approved independent testing laboratory that the product has been tested for slip coefficient and meets AASHTO M253, Class B.

Page 10-161, Subarticle 1081-1(A) Classifications, lines 29-33, delete first 3 sentences of the description for Type 2 and replace with the following:

**Type 2** - A low-modulus, general-purpose adhesive used in epoxy mortar repairs. It may be used to patch spalled, cracked or broken concrete where vibration, shock or expansion and contraction are expected.

Page 10-162, Subarticle 1081-1(A) Classifications, lines 4-7, delete the second and third sentences of the description for Type 3A. Lines 16-22, delete Types 6A, 6B and 6C.

Page 10-162, Subarticle 1081-1(B) Requirements, lines 26-30, replace the second paragraph with the following:

For epoxy resin systems used for embedding dowel bars, threaded rods, rebar, anchor bolts and other fixtures in hardened concrete, the manufacturer shall submit test results showing that the bonding system will obtain 125% of the specified required yield strength of the fixture. Furnish certification that, for the particular bolt grade, diameter and embedment depth required, the anchor system will not fail by adhesive failure and that there is no movement of the anchor bolt. For certification and anchorage, use 3,000 psi as the minimum Portland cement concrete compressive strength used in this test. Use adhesives that meet Section 1081.

List the properties of the adhesive on the container and include density, minimum and maximum temperature application, setting time, shelf life, pot life, shear strength and compressive strength.

Table 1081-1 Properties of Mixed Epoxy Resin Systems							
Property	Type 1	Type 2	Type 3	Type 3A	Type 4A	Type 4B	Type 5
Viscosity-Poises at 77°F ± 2°F	Gel	10-30	25-75	Gel	40-150	40-150	1-6
Spindle No.	-	3	4	--	4	4	2
Speed (RPM)	-	20	20	--	10	10	50
Pot Life (Minutes)	20-50	30-60	20-50	5-50	40-80	40-80	20-60
Minimum Tensile Strength at 7 days (psi)	1,500	2,000	4,000	4,000	1,500	1,500	4,000
Tensile Elongation at 7 days (%)	30 min.	30 min.	2-5	2-5	5-15	5-15	2-5
Min. Compressive Strength of 2" mortar cubes at 24 hours	3,000 (Neat)	4,000-	6,000-	6,000 (Neat)	3,000	3,000	6,000
Min. Compressive Strength of 2" mortar cubes at 7 days	5,000 (Neat)	-	-	-	-	5,000	-
Maximum Water Absorption (%)	1.5	1.0	1.0	1.5	1.0	1.0	1.0
Min. Bond Strength Slant Shear Test at 14 days (psi)	1,500	1,500	2,000	2,000	1,500	1,500	1,500

Page 10-164, Subarticle 1081-1(E) Prequalification, lines 31-33, replace the second sentence of the first paragraph with the following:

Manufacturers choosing to supply material for Department jobs must submit an application through the Value Management Unit with the following information for each type and brand name:

Page 10-164, Subarticle 1081-1(E)(3), line 37, replace this subarticle with the following:

(3) Type of the material in accordance with Articles 1081-1 and 1081-4,

Page 10-165, Subarticle 1081-1(E)(6), line 1, in the first sentence of the first paragraph replace "AASHTO M 237" with "the specifications".

Page 10-165, Subarticle 1081-1(E) Prequalification, line 9-10, delete the second sentence of the last paragraph.

**Page 10-165, Subarticle 1081-1(F) Acceptance, line 14**, in the first sentence of the first paragraph replace “Type 1” with “Type 3”.

**Page 10-169, Subarticle 1081-3(G) Anchor Bolt Adhesives**, delete this subarticle.

**Page 10-170, Article 1081-3 Hot Bitumen, line 9**, add the following at the end of Section 1081:

#### **1081-4 EPOXY RESIN ADHESIVE FOR BONDING TRAFFIC MARKINGS**

##### **(A) General**

This section covers epoxy resin adhesive for bonding traffic markers to pavement surfaces.

##### **(B) Classification**

The types of epoxies and their uses are as shown below:

**Type I** – Rapid Setting, High Viscosity, Epoxy Adhesive. This type of adhesive provides rapid adherence to traffic markers to the surface of pavement.

**Type II** – Standard Setting, High Viscosity, Epoxy Adhesive. This type of adhesive is recommended for adherence of traffic markers to pavement surfaces when rapid set is not required.

**Type III** – Rapid Setting, Low Viscosity, Water Resistant, Epoxy Adhesive. This type of rapid setting adhesive, due to its low viscosity, is appropriate only for use with embedded traffic markers.

**Type IV** – Standard Set Epoxy for Blade Deflecting-Type Plowable Markers.

##### **(C) Requirements**

Epoxies shall conform to the requirements set forth in AASHTO M 237.

##### **(D) Prequalification**

Refer to Subarticle 1081-1(E).

##### **(E) Acceptance**

Refer to Subarticle 1081-1(F).

**Page 10-173, Article 1084-2 STEEL SHEET PILES, lines 37-38**, replace first paragraph with the following:

Steel sheet piles detailed for permanent applications shall be hot rolled and meet ASTM A572 or ASTM A690 unless otherwise required by the plans. Steel sheet piles shall be coated as required by the plans. Galvanized sheet piles shall be coated in accordance with Section 1076. Metallized sheet piles shall be metallized in accordance to the Project Special Provision “Thermal Sprayed Coatings (Metallization)” with an 8 mil, 99.9% aluminum alloy coating and a 0.5 mil seal coating. Any portion of the metallized sheet piling encased in concrete shall receive a barrier coat. The barrier coat shall be an approved waterborne coating with a low-viscosity which readily absorbs into the pores of the aluminum thermal sprayed coating. The waterborne coating shall be applied at a spreading rate that results in a theoretical 1.5 mil dry film thickness. The manufacturer shall issue a letter of certification that the resin chemistry of the waterborne coating is compatible with the 99.9% aluminum thermal sprayed alloy and suitable for tidal water applications.

**Page 10-174, Subarticle 1086-1(B)(1) Epoxy, lines 18-24**, replace this subarticle with the following:

The epoxy shall meet Article 1081-4.

The 2 types of epoxy adhesive which may be used are Type I, Rapid Setting, and Type II, Standard Setting. Use Type II when the pavement temperature is above 60°F or per the manufacturer’s recommendations whichever is

more stringent. Use Type I when the pavement temperature is between 50°F and 60°F or per the manufacturer’s recommendations whichever is more stringent. Epoxy adhesive Type I, Cold Set, may be used to attach temporary pavement markers to the pavement surface when the pavement temperature is between 32°F and 50°F or per the manufacturer’s recommendations whichever is more stringent.

**Page 10-175, Subarticle 1086-2(E) Epoxy Adhesives, line 27,** replace “Section 1081” with “Article 1081-4”.

**Page 10-177, Subarticle 1086-3(E) Epoxy Adhesives, line 22,** replace “Section 1081” with “Article 1081-4”.

**Page 10-179, Subarticle 1087-4(A) Composition, lines 39-41,** replace the third paragraph with the following:

All intermixed and drop-on glass beads shall not contain more than 75 ppm arsenic or 200 ppm lead.

**Page 10-180, Subarticle 1087-4(B) Physical Characteristics, line 8,** replace the second paragraph with the following:

All intermixed and drop-on glass beads shall comply with NCGS § 136-30.2 and 23 USC § 109(r).

**Page 10-181, Subarticle 1087-7(A) Intermixed and Drop-on Glass Beads, line 24,** add the following after the first paragraph:

Use X-ray Fluorescence for the normal sampling procedure for intermixed and drop-on beads, without crushing, to check for any levels of arsenic and lead. If any arsenic or lead is detected, the sample shall be crushed and repeat the test using X-ray Fluorescence. If the X-ray Fluorescence test shows more than a LOD of 5 ppm, test the beads using United States Environmental Protection Agency Method 6010B, 6010C or 3052 for no more than 75 ppm arsenic or 200 ppm lead.

**Page 10-204, Subarticle 1092-2(A) Performance and Test Requirements,** replace **Table 1092-3 Minimum Coefficient of Retroreflection for NC Grade A** with the following:

<b>Observation Angle, degrees</b>	<b>Entrance Angle, degrees</b>	<b>White</b>	<b>Yellow</b>	<b>Green</b>	<b>Red</b>	<b>Blue</b>	<b>Fluorescent Yellow Green</b>	<b>Fluorescent Yellow</b>
0.2	-4.0	525	395	52	95	30	420	315
0.2	30.0	215	162	22	43	10	170	130
0.5	-4.0	310	230	31	56	18	245	185
0.5	30.0	135	100	14	27	6	110	81
1.0	-4.0	<b>120</b>	60	8	16	3.6	64	48
1.0	30.0	45	34	4.5	9	2	36	27

# PROJECT SPECIAL PROVISIONS

## MESSENGER CABLE

### **1710-1 DESCRIPTION**

Furnish and install messenger cable (spanwire) with cable clamps, machine bolts, eyebolts, 3-bolt clamps, eye nuts, split-bolt connectors, and all necessary hardware.

### **1710-2 MATERIAL**

Material, equipment, and hardware furnished under this section shall be pre-approved on the Department's QPL. *Refer to Article 1098-3 Messenger Cable.*

### **1710-3 CONSTRUCTION METHODS**

Install guy assemblies before installing messenger cable.

Use 1/4-inch messenger cable for spans supporting only cables unless otherwise specified.

For messenger cable crossing over railroad tracks, provide a minimum of 27 feet of vertical clearance, unless otherwise specified.

For permanent installations, install messenger cable in continuous lengths with no splices except where an insulator is required. With prior approval, existing messenger for temporary installations may be extended instead of installing new messenger cable.

Tension messenger cable to eliminate appreciable sag and to match sag of surrounding utilities. Otherwise, allow 3 to 4 percent sag of the span length between poles.

Provide three-bolt clamp assemblies consisting of 5/8-inch diameter machine bolts, J-hooks, washers, and square nuts to attach messenger cable to wood poles. Provide machine bolts that are 3 inches longer than the pole diameter.

Attach messenger cable to poles using three bolt cable clamps with J-hooks in mid-runs and deadend strandvises at termination poles.

Maintain electrical continuity at all splices.

Messenger Cable for Signal Heads or Loop Lead-In Cable: For messenger cable attached to joint use poles, install a new grounding system that complies with Article 1720-3 for bonding messenger cable. If a pole ground exists on the joint use pole, bond new pole grounding system to existing pole ground using number 6 AWG minimum solid bare copper grounding wire terminated with split bolt connectors or Burndy clamps (UCG25RS) at each end.

Messenger Cable for Communications Cable: For messenger cable attached to joint use poles, bond messenger cable to existing pole ground using Burndy clamps (UCG25RS) at ends and at 1300-foot intervals. If existing poles do not have a grounding system, install new grounding system that complies with Article 1720-3 for bonding messenger cable.

On multiple messenger cable arrangements, connect all messenger cable ends with number 6 AWG minimum solid bare copper wire and bond with split bolt connectors or Burndy clamps (UCG25RS) or equivalent and terminate to pole ground.

### **1710-4 MEASUREMENT AND PAYMENT**

Messenger cable ( 1/4 inch ) will be measured and paid for as actual horizontal linear feet of messenger cable furnished, installed, and accepted. Measurement will be point to point with no allowance for sag.

No measurement will be made of cable clamps, machine bolts, eyebolts, three-bolt assemblies, eye nuts, split bolt connectors, and pole grounding systems as these will be considered incidental to furnishing and installing messenger cable.

Payment will be made under:

**¼ -Inch Messenger Cable**

**Linear Foot**

### **TRACER WIRE**

#### **1715 (2) Tracer Wire**

Install tracer wire in all conduits containing fiber-optic cable. Pull tracer wire simultaneously in a continuous length with the fiber-optic cable. Where **multiple pulls of fiber** optic cable are required and conduit is placed in the same trench, only one tracer wire is required. Where multiple pulls of fiber optic cable are required and conduits may separate into individual trenches, install a tracer wire in each conduit run. Provide waterproof butt splices where tracer wire is spliced. Splicing is allowed only in cabinets and junction boxes. Label all tracer wires entering the equipment cabinet.

*Refer to Article 1098 C Tracer Wire*

Payment will be made under:

**Tracer Wire**

**Linear Foot**

### **GUY ASSEMBLIES**

#### **1721-1 DESCRIPTION**

Furnish and install guy assemblies with all necessary hardware.

#### **1721-2 MATERIAL**

Material, equipment, and hardware furnished under this section shall be pre-approved on the Department's QPL.

*Refer to Article 1098-7 Guy Assemblies*

#### **1721-3 CONSTRUCTION METHODS**

##### **(A) Guy Assemblies for Signal Heads or Loop Lead-in Cable**

Install guy assemblies with guy cable, guy guards, anchors, three-bolt clamps and associated fittings. Use two-bolt attachment method where there is adequate room on the pole to comply with the NESC. Attach guy assembly and guy cable to two separate bolts with one bolt for span and one bolt for guy cable.

Where adequate spacing is not available and a violation of the NESC would occur with the two-bolt attachment method, use approved one-bolt attachment method for attaching messenger cable and guy assembly.

Bond guy assembly to new pole grounding system as described in Section 1710-3.

Do not attach to existing guy assemblies unless specifically approved by owner.

##### **(B) Guy Assemblies for Communications Cable**

When installing messenger cable for supporting only communications cable, use approved one-bolt attachment method for attaching messenger cable and guy assembly.

Bond guy assembly to existing pole ground using Burndy Clamp (UCG25RS) or equivalent. If existing poles do not have a grounding system, install new grounding system for bonding guy assembly that complies with Article 1720-3.

Do not attach to existing guy assemblies unless specifically approved by owner.

#### **1721-4 MEASUREMENT AND PAYMENT**

*Guy assembly* will be measured and paid as the actual number of guy assemblies furnished, installed, and accepted. No measurement will be made of guy cable, guy guards, anchors, clamps, or fittings as these will be considered incidental to furnishing and installing guy assemblies.

Payment will be made under:

**Guy Assembly**

**Each**

### **HEAT SHRINK TUBING RETROFIT KIT**

#### **1722-2 MATERIAL**

Material, equipment, and hardware furnished under this section shall be pre-approved on the Department's QPL.

Provide Tyco™ (Raychem™) part number FOSC-ACC-CABLE-SEAL-2-NW or equivalent heat shrink tubing retrofit kits for the installation of new fiber-optic or coaxial cable in existing riser with existing fiber-optic or coaxial cables.

#### **1722-4 MEASUREMENT AND PAYMENT**

*Heat shrink tubing retrofit kit* will be measured and paid for as the actual number of heat shrink tubing retrofit kits furnished, installed, and accepted.

Payment will be made under:

**Heat Shrink Tubing Retrofit Kit**

**Each**

### **FIBER-OPTIC CABLE**

#### **1730-1 DESCRIPTION**

Furnish and install single mode fiber-optic (SMFO) communications cable and drop cable assemblies with grounding systems, fiber-optic cable storage racks (snow shoes), communications cable identification markers, lashing wire, and all necessary hardware.

#### **1730-2 MATERIAL**

*Refer to Article 1098-9 Fiber-Optic Cable*

#### **1730-3 CONSTRUCTION METHODS**

##### **(A) General**

Provide cable manufacturer's attenuation and Optical Time Domain Reflectometer (OTDR) testing data for each reel of cable upon request.

Install SMFO communications cable, snow shoes, communications cable identification markers, lashing wire, and all necessary hardware.

Comply with manufacturer's recommendations. Install communications cable on signal poles, utility poles, messenger cable, and in conduits as required to bring the fiber-optic cable into and, if necessary, out of each splice enclosure.

Take all precautions necessary to ensure cable is not damaged during storage, handling, and installation. Do not violate minimum bending radius of 20 times the radius of cable diameter or manufacturer's recommendation, whichever is greater.

Do not step on cable nor run over cable with vehicles or equipment. Do not pull cable over or around obstructions, or along the ground.

Determine lengths of cable necessary to reach from termination-point to termination point.

Install cable in continuous lengths between approved splicing facilities.

Additionally, provide a sufficient amount of slack cable to allow for an additional 20 feet of cable to be present after removal of outer sheath for termination. Measure slack cable by extending cable straight out of cabinet door. Keep cable ends sealed at all times during installation to effectively prevent the ingress of moisture. Use approved heat shrink cable end cap. Do not use tape to seal cable ends.

Before installing cable, provide three copies of cable manufacturer's recommended and maximum pulling tension. Do not exceed manufacturer's recommended pulling tension. Use pulling grips containing a rotating swivel. Coil cable in a figure-8 configuration whenever cable is unreel for subsequent pulling.

Install fiber-optic cable in separate 2-inch risers with heat shrink tubing or conduits.

Do not share risers or conduits containing fiber-optic cable with other type cable.

### **(B) Aerial Installation**

Double lash fiber-optic cable to messenger cable with one 360 degree spiral per foot.

Use pole attachment hardware and roller guides with safety clips to install aerial run cable.

Maintain tension during the pulling process for aerial run cable by using an approved mechanical clutch (dynamometer) device. Do not allow cable to contact the ground or other obstructions between poles during installation. Do not use a motorized vehicle to generate cable pulling forces.

Use a cable suspension clamp when attaching cable tangent to a pole. Select and place cable blocks and corner blocks so as not to exceed the cable's minimum bending radius. Do not pull cable across J-hooks.

Store 100 feet of each fiber-optic cable on all cable runs that are continuous without splices where specified. Obtain approval for spare cable storage locations. Store spare fiber-optic cable on fiber-optic cable storage racks (snow shoes). Locate spare cable storage in the middle of spans between termination points. Do not store spare fiber-optic cable over the roadway or driveways.

Install one communications cable identification marker within 36 inches of pole attachment points and at locations where more than one cable originates or terminates.

### **(C) Underground Installation**

Install fiber-optic cable underground in conduit using cable pulling lubricants recommended by the fiber-optic cable manufacturer.

Obtain approval of cable pulling lubricant and method of pulling before installing underground fiber-optic cable. Use a dynamometer (clutch device) so as not to exceed maximum allowable pulling tension if cable is pulled by mechanical means. Do not use a motorized vehicle to generate cable pulling forces.

Keep tension on cable reel and pulling line at start of each pull. Do not release tension if pulling operation is halted.

Restart pulling operation by gradually increasing tension until cable is in motion. For pulling cable through manholes, junction boxes, and vaults, feed cable by manually rotating the reel. Do not pull cable through intermediate junction boxes, handholds, or openings in conduit unless otherwise approved.

Install communications cable identification markers on each communications cable entering a junction box.

### **(D) Installation of Drop Cable Assembly**

Determine length of drop cable needed, including slack, to reach from termination point to termination point.

At aerial splice enclosures, store 100 feet of slack cable on cable storage racks. At below ground splice enclosures, coil 100 feet of slack cable in manhole or junction box where enclosure is located.

At equipment cabinet end of drop cable assembly, terminate all fibers with ST-PC connectors to the connector panel. Label all connectors, pigtails, and the connector panel. At the aerial splice enclosure location, cap off all unused fibers and label to correspond with the connector panel.

## **1730-4 MEASUREMENT AND PAYMENT**

*Communications cable (SMFO)* will be measured and paid as the actual linear feet of fiber-optic cable of each fiber count furnished, installed, and accepted. Measurement will be made by calculating the difference in length markings located on outer jacket from start of run to end of run for each run. Terminate all fibers before determining length of cable run.

*Drop cable* will be measured and paid as linear feet of fiber-optic drop cable assemblies furnished, installed, and accepted. Sag and vertical segments will not be paid for as these distances are considered incidental to the installation of drop cable assemblies.

No measurement will be made for terminating, splicing, and testing fiber-optic cable, communications cable identification markers, or fiber-optic cable storage racks, as these will be considered incidental to the installation of fiber-optic cable.

Payment will be made under:

**Communications Cable ( Single Mode Fiber Optic )**  
**Drop Cable**

**Linear Foot**  
**Linear Foot**

## **FIBER-OPTIC SPLICE CENTERS**

### **1731-1 DESCRIPTION**

Furnish and install fiber-optic interconnect centers, fiber-optic splice enclosures, and all necessary hardware.

### **1731-2 MATERIALS**

Material, equipment, and hardware furnished under this section shall be pre-approved on the Department's QPL.  
*Refer to Article 1098-10 Fiber-Optic Splice Centers*

### **1731-3 CONSTRUCTION METHODS**

#### **(A) General**

Install interconnect centers with connector panels, splice trays, storage for slack cable or fibers, mounting and strain relief hardware, and all necessary hardware.

Install splice enclosures with splice trays, basket containment assemblies, racking for slack cable or fibers, mounting and strain relief hardware, and all other necessary hardware.

Fusion splice and secure SMFO cable in splice trays inside the splice enclosure. Ensure all buffer tubes are contained within splice trays so no bare fibers are outside tray.

Do not exceed 0.05 dB of attenuation per splice.

Furnish strain relief so that no tensile force is on SMFO cable when it is held within the interconnect center or splice enclosure.

Do not damage fiber or violate the minimum bending radius of the fiber.

#### **(B) Termination and Splicing within Interconnect Center**

Terminate and splice all fibers including unused fibers.

Label all fiber-optic connectors, whether on jumpers, connector panels, or other equipment, to prevent improper connection. Obtain approval of fiber-optic connector labeling method.

For all fibers designated for termination to connector panel within interconnect center, fusion splice fibers to pigtails.

For all cut fibers designated to pass through interconnect center, fusion splice fibers.

For all buffer tubes designated to pass through interconnect center, neatly coil excess tubing inside interconnect center.

#### **(C) Termination and Splicing within Splice Enclosure**

Fusion splice all fibers including fibers designated to be coupled with fibers from a drop cable assembly and cut fibers designated to pass through splice enclosure.

For all buffer tubes designated to pass through splice enclosure, neatly coil excess tubing inside basket provided with enclosure.

Label all fiber-optic splices. Obtain approval of fiber-optic connector labeling method.

Install heat shrink cable shields using methods recommended by the manufacturer of the enclosure. Perform a pressurization flash test on enclosure in accordance with before final placement of enclosure.

For aerial installations, secure enclosures to messenger cable using manufacturer supplied hardware. Secure SMFO cable and drop cable assemblies to snowshoes.

Install enclosures with enough slack cable to allow enclosure to be lowered to ground level and extended into a splicing vehicle.

For underground, manhole, and junction box facility installations, place the enclosure along with required spare cables in the facility in a neat and workmanship like manner.

**(D) Testing**

Provide written notification a minimum of ten days before beginning OTDR tests.

After splicing is completed, perform bi-directional OTDR tests on each fiber, including unused fibers. Install a 1000 foot pre-tested launch cable between the OTDR and fiber optic cable to be tested.

Ensure fusion splice losses do not exceed 0.05 dB and connectors have a loss of 0.5 dB or less. If any fiber exceeds maximum allowable attenuation or if fiber properties of the cable have been impaired, take appropriate actions up to and including replacement of the fiber cable. Corrective action will be at no additional cost to the Department.

Clearly label each OTDR trace identifying a starting and ending point for all fibers being tested. Record the attenuation level of each fiber and clearly indicate OTDR trace results in report format. Furnish one hard copy of each of the OTDR trace results and electronic copies of all trace results on a compact disk. Furnish the manufacturer's make, model number, and software version of the OTDR used for testing.

**1731-4 MEASUREMENT AND PAYMENT**

*Interconnect center* will be measured and paid as the actual number of fiber-optic interconnect centers furnished, installed, and accepted.

*Splice enclosure* Actual number of fiber-optic splice enclosures furnished, installed, and accepted. No measurement will be made between aerial, underground, manhole, or junction box installation of the fiber-optic splice enclosure.

No measurement will be made of splice trays, pigtails, jumpers, connector panels, and testing, as these will be considered incidental to furnishing and installing fiber-optic interconnect centers and splice enclosures.

Payment will be made under:

<b>Interconnect Center</b>	<b>Each</b>
<b>Splice Center Enclosure</b>	<b>Each</b>

**FIBER-OPTIC TRANSCEIVERS**

**1732-1 DESCRIPTION**

Furnish and install fiber-optic transceivers with all necessary hardware.

**1732-2 MATERIALS**

Material, equipment, and hardware furnished under this section shall be pre-approved on the Department's QPL. *Refer to Article 1098-11 Fiber-Optic Transceivers*

**1732-3 CONSTRUCTION METHODS**

Install fiber-optic transceivers in each equipment cabinet and comply with manufacturer's installation instructions.

**1732-4 MEASUREMENT AND PAYMENT**

Actual number of fiber-optic drop and repeat transceivers furnished, installed, and accepted.

Actual number of fiber-optic self-healing ring transceivers furnished, installed, and accepted.

Payment will be made under:

**Fiber-Optic Transceiver – Drop and Repeat**

**Each**

**Fiber-Optic Transceiver – Self-Healing Ring**

**Each**

## **DELINEATOR MARKER**

### **1733-1 DESCRIPTION**

Furnish and install delineator markers with all necessary hardware.

### **1733-2 MATERIAL**

Material, equipment, and hardware furnished under this section shall be pre-approved on the Department's QPL.

*Refer to Article 1098-12 Delineator Markers*

### **1733-3 CONSTRUCTION METHODS**

Submit sample of proposed delineator markers for approval before installation.

Install delineator markers using a method that firmly and securely anchors delineator marker in the ground to prohibit twisting and easy removal.

### **1733-4 MEASUREMENT AND PAYMENT**

Actual number of delineator markers furnished, installed, and accepted.

Payment will be made under:

**Delineator Marker**

**Each**

## **REMOVE EXISTING COMMUNICATIONS CABLE**

### **1734-1 DESCRIPTION**

Remove existing communications cable.

### **1734-2 CONSTRUCTION METHODS**

Removal of existing aerial communications cable also includes proper disposal of communications cable, messenger cable and mounting hardware, including abandoned risers.

Removal of existing underground communications cable includes proper disposal of communications cable and junction boxes, if required. Where junction boxes have been removed, backfill hole to 95% of surrounding density.

Do not reuse any removed communications cable, messenger cable, junction boxes, pole attachment hardware or abandoned risers on the project, unless otherwise specified. In the event that any of the removed communications cable, junction boxes or pole attachment hardware is to be returned to the Engineer, it will be so noted on the plans.

### **1734-3 MEASUREMENT AND PAYMENT**

*Remove existing communications cable* will be measured in horizontal linear feet of existing communications cable removed and accepted. Payment will be in linear feet. Sag, vertical segments, or spare segments of communications cable will not be paid for as these distances will be considered incidental to the removal of existing communications cable.

No additional measurement will be made for multiple cables being removed from the same conduit or same pole. Where multiple adjacent conduits exist (each containing multiple cables), each conduit will be considered separately for purposes of payment. No payment will be made for cable that cannot be removed and is abandoned in place.

No measurement will be made of the removal of messenger cable, pole attachment hardware, and junction boxes, as these will be considered incidental to removing existing communications hardware.

Payment will be made under:  
**Remove Existing Communications Cable**

**Linear Feet**

**CABLE TRANSFER DESCRIPTION**

**1735-1 DESCRIPTION**

Remove and reinstall existing communications cable for pole relocations.

**1735-2 CONSTRUCTION METHODS**

During project, transfers of existing communications cable to new poles may be required. Perform transfers as directed by the Engineer. Remove existing cables from pole to be removed and reinstall these cables and any existing attachment hardware on new pole.

Remove all communications hardware from existing pole. Furnish and install any new attachment hardware as required.

**1735-3 MEASUREMENT AND PAYMENT**

*Cable transfer* will be measured and paid as the actual number of cable transfers with attachment hardware to new poles furnished, installed, and accepted.

Payment will be made under:  
**Cable Transfer**

**Each**

**SPLICE CABINET (FIBER OPTICS)**

**DESCRIPTION**

Furnish and install splice cabinets and all necessary hardware in accordance with the plans and specifications for the purpose of splicing and terminating fiber-optic cable(s).

**MATERIALS**

Furnish NEMA Type 4 splice cabinets of sufficient size to accommodate the fiber-optic interconnect center. Provide sufficient size so that the equipment installed will not occupy more than 60 percent of the total cabinet volume.

**CONSTRUCTION METHODS**

**General:**

Locate cabinets so as not to obstruct sight distance of vehicles turning on red.

**Pole Mounted:**

Install pole-mounted splice cabinets. Install cabinets approximately five feet from the ground line to the top of the cabinet. Secure the cabinet to the pole using an approved installation method.

**Base Mounted:**

Install base mounted cabinets as shown on the plans and as approved by the Engineer.

Refer to Section 1750 - Signal Cabinet Foundations of the 2012 Standard Specifications for Roads and Structures for installation requirements for the foundations. The following exceptions are made:

Install only the required number of conduits as shown on the plans plus one additional spare stub out conduit.

Do not provide a 24-inch working area on the backside of the cabinet. Provide only a 24 inch working area measured from the front of the cabinet and 3 inch lip measured from the sides and back of the cabinet. All other requirements apply.

**METHOD OF MEASUREMENT**

Actual number of fiber-optic splice cabinets (pole mounted) furnished, installed, and accepted.

Actual number of fiber-optic splice cabinets (base mounted) furnished, installed, and accepted.

No measurement will be made for the cabinet foundation as it will be covered under Section 1750 – Signal Cabinet Foundations of the 2012 Standard Specifications for Roads and Structures.

**BASIS OF PAYMENT**

The quantity of fiber-optic splice cabinets, measured as provided above, will be paid for at the contract unit price each for “Fiber-optic Splice Cabinet (\_\_\_\_\_).”

Payment will be made under:

**Fiber-Optic Splice Cabinet ( Pole Mount )**  
**Fiber-Optic Splice Cabinet ( Base Mount )**

**Each**  
**Each**

## STANDARD SPECIAL PROVISIONS

### 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*.

### ERRATA

(1-17-12) (Rev. 1-21-14)

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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 3**

**Page 3-1, after line 15, Article 300-2 Materials**, replace “1032-9(F)” with “1032-6(F)”.

#### **Division 4**

**Page 4-77, line 27, Subarticle 452-3(C) Concrete Coping**, replace “sheet pile” with “reinforcement”.

#### **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”.

**Page 6-40, Article 650-2 Materials**, replace “Subarticle 1012-1(F)” with “Subarticle 1012-1(E)”

#### **Division 8**

**Page 8-23, line 10, Article 838-2 Materials**, replace “Portland Cement Concrete, Class B” with “Portland Cement Concrete, Class A”.

## Division 12

Page 12-7, Table 1205-3, add “FOR THERMOPLASTIC” to the end of the title.

Page 12-8, Subarticle 1205-5(B), line 13, replace “Table 1205-2” with “Table 1205-4”.

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

Page 12-9, Subarticle 1205-6(B), line 21, replace “Table 1205-4” with “Table 1205-6”.

Page 12-11, Subarticle 1205-8(C), line 25, replace “Table 1205-5” with “Table 1205-7”.

## Division 15

Page 15-4, Subarticle 1505-3(F) Backfilling, line 26, replace “Subarticle 235-4(C)” with “Subarticle 235-3(C)”.

Page 15-6, Subarticle 1510-3(B), after line 21, replace the allowable leakage formula with the following:  $W = LD\sqrt{P} \div 148,000$

Page 15-6, Subarticle 1510-3(B), line 32, delete “may be performed concurrently or” and replace with “shall be performed”.

Page 15-17, Subarticle 1540-3(E), line 27, delete “Type 1”.

## Division 17

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

Revise the *2012 Roadway Standard Drawings* as follows:

1633.01 Sheet 1 of 1, English Standard Drawing for Matting Installation, replace “1633.01” with “1631.01”.

## PLANT AND PEST QUARANTINES

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

(3-18-03) (Rev. 10-15-13)

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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.gov/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.

## **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.

## **ON-THE-JOB TRAINING**

(10-16-07) (Rev. 5-21-13)

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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.ncbowd.com/section/on-the-job-training](http://www.ncbowd.com/section/on-the-job-training).

## 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:

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.

### **SAFETY VESTS and FLAGGER CERTIFICATION**

All Contractors personnel, all subcontractors and their personnel, and any material suppliers and their personnel must wear an OSHA approved or MUTCD Class II (Class III at night) reflective vest or outer garment at all times while on the project. All flaggers must be certified.

### **TRAFFIC CONTROL AND WORK ZONE SAFETY**

The Contractor shall maintain traffic during construction and provide, install, and maintain all traffic control devices in accordance with these project guidelines, the Project Special Provisions, North Carolina Department of Transportation Standard Specifications for Roads and Structures, and the current edition of the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD).

The Contractor shall utilize complete and proper traffic controls and traffic control devices during all operations. All traffic control and traffic control devices required for any operation shall be functional and in place prior to the commencement of that operation. Signs for temporary operations shall be removed during periods of inactivity. The Contractor is required to leave the project in a manner that will be safe to the traveling public and which will not impede motorists.

Flaggers stationed at each end of the work zone shall control traffic movements through lane closures on roads with two-way traffic. In situations where sight distance is limited, the Contractor shall provide additional means of controlling traffic, including, but not limited to, two-way radios, pilot vehicles, or additional flaggers. Flaggers shall be competent personnel, adequately trained in flagging procedures, and furnished with proper safety devices and equipment, including, but not limited to, safety vests and stop/slow paddles.

All personnel when working in traffic areas or areas in close proximity to traffic shall wear an approved safety vest, or shirt or jacket which meets the color requirements of the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD).

The Contractor shall comply with all applicable Federal, State, and local laws, ordinances, and regulations governing safety, health, and sanitation, and shall provide all safeguards, safety devices, and protective equipment, and shall take any other needed actions, on his own responsibility that are reasonably necessary to protect the life and health of employees on the job and the safety of the public, and to protect property in connection with the performance of the work covered by the contract.

Failure to comply with any of the requirements for safety and traffic control of this contract shall result in suspension of work as provided in sub-article 108-7(2) of the Standard Specifications.

No direct payment shall be made for traffic control and work zone safety items, as they shall be considered incidental to other contract items.

**REQUESTS FOR QUOTATIONS WERE SENT TO THE FOLLOWING:**

Precision Contracting Services, Inc.  
15834 Guild Court  
Jupiter, FL 33478  
ATTN: Cindy Boyd  
561-743-9737

Mr. J. Trent Rawley (EMAIL)  
Director of Office of Civil Rights

Mr. Michael McKoy (EMAIL)  
NCDOT

Reynolda Electric Co., Inc.  
PO Box 1070  
Rural Hall, NC 27045  
ATTN: Ronald Overby  
336-969-2607

Association of General Contractors (EMAIL)

Division 9 Web Page:  
<http://www.ncdot.org/doh/operations/division9/div9bid.html>

World Fiber Technologies, Inc.  
4070 Nine McFarland Dr.  
Alpharetta, GA 30004  
ATTN: Mark Battle  
770-619-0118

NC A & T Plan & Resource Center  
Department of Construction Management &  
Occupational Safety and Health  
Price Hall – Room 112M, Laurel Street  
Greensboro, NC 27411  
Attn: Andrew Davis

## Subcontract Approval Form (SAF)

1. Complete the "Subcontract Approval Form" (Form SAF) for the Subcontractor and the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tier Subcontractor on one form. Additional items of work can be entered on the "Subcontract Approval Form Attachment". If there is more than one 2<sup>nd</sup> Tier Subcontractor, the information should be listed on the "Subcontract Approval Form - Additional 2<sup>nd</sup> Tier" (SAF - Additional 2<sup>nd</sup> Tier).
2. Reporting Number is the Fiscal Vendor Number for Contractors and Subcontractors. This number can be found in the NCDOT Directory of Transportation Firms - Prequalified Bidders and Subcontractors. Use the following web address to access the list of Prequalified Bidders and Subcontractors.

<https://partner.ncdot.gov/VendorDirectory/default.html>

Enter the name of your subcontractor and hit "Submit". If the firm is prequalified to perform work for NCDOT, the firm's information will be shown on the screen. Click on the firm's name to access the Reporting Number.

3. If retainage is being withheld for the Subcontractor or 2<sup>nd</sup> Tier Subcontractor place an "X" in the box under the column titled "Retainage."
4. When the proposed Subcontractor or 2<sup>nd</sup> Tier Subcontractor is a certified DBE, MBE, or WBE Subcontractor, select the appropriate certification from the drop down list. When the proposed Subcontractor is not a certified DBE, MBE, or WBE subcontractor, select "NONE" from the drop down list.
5. **Partial Item of Work and Portion of Work**

**Partial Item of Work** is defined as a Subcontractor performing part of the work associated with a line item, such as hauling asphalt or tying steel. The partial item of work should be indicated by the symbol (♦). The work associated with the contract line item to be performed by the Subcontractor shall be identified.

**Portion of Work** is defined as a Subcontractor performing all the work associated with a line item, but only a portion of the contract quantity. An example is grading from Station 225+00 - L- to the end of the project. The portions of work should be indicated by the symbol (●). The physical limits of the sublet quantity shall be identified.

The Contractor may designate a subcontracted item of work as both a portion and a partial. (Example: Contractor is subcontracting hauling of unclassified excavation to multiple trucking contractors.) If the item of work is designated as both a portion and a partial the unit price shall be less than the contract unit price **and** the quantity shall be less than the contract quantity.

6. Sub or 2<sup>nd</sup> Tier - Designate if the work for the associated line item will be performed by a Subcontractor or a 2<sup>nd</sup> Tier Subcontractor. This must be completed to correctly calculate the Subcontract Amount.
7. Units of Measure (UOM) shown on the Subcontract Approval Form (SAF) shall be the same as those shown in the Department's contract. Any conversions that are necessary to satisfy this requirement shall be the responsibility of the Contractor. The Converted Price (CP) shall be denoted with an asterisk (\*).  
(Examples of converting units of measure can be found in the HiCAMS User Guide, Chapter 2, Section 8A. Use the following link to view the examples.)

<https://connect.ncdot.gov/projects/construction/Pages/HiCAMS-Manual.aspx>

8. DBE/MBE/WBE Unit Price - This unit price should only be completed for DBE/MBE/WBE Subcontractors. Enter a DBE/MBE/WBE Unit Price for the items of work performed by any certified DBE/MBE/WBE. Use the chart below to determine if a DBE/MBE/WBE Unit Price shall be entered for the line item, based on the certification of the firm.

<b>Subcontractor</b>	<b>2nd Tier</b>	<b>Enter DBE/MBE/WBE Unit Price For</b>
Certified	None	Subcontractor
Certified	Certified	Subcontractor
None	Certified	2nd Tier

The DBE/MBE/WBE Unit Price must be the negotiated unit or lump sum price agreed upon between the Contractor and the Subcontractor, **unless the Contractor is entering a Converted Price**. Indicating a Converted Price acknowledges that the price shown is not the actual price, but an approximate value used for calculating the Sublet Amount as reasonably close as possible. It can be higher, lower or equal to the contract bid price.

9. DBE/MBE/WBE Sublet Amount is the DBE/MBE/WBE Unit Price multiplied by the Quantity. For committed firms, the DBE/MBE/WBE Sublet Amount shall be the same or higher than the amount listed in the contract.
10. Subcontract Unit Price - The Subcontract Unit Price must be the same as the contract unit price unless the Subcontractor is performing a partial item of work. When a partial item of work is sublet, the unit price must be less than the contract unit price. When only a portion of the quantity of an item is sublet, the unit price shall be the same as the contract unit price. If an item of work is designated as both a partial and a portion, refer to Item 5 of these instructions. A Subcontract Unit Price must be entered for every line item, including an item of work performed by a DBE/MBE/WBE Subcontractor.
11. The Total Subcontract Amount is the Subcontract Unit Price multiplied by the Quantity.
12. The Subcontract Amount is the amount subcontracted by the Contractor. The amount is used to determine the percent of work performed by the Prime Contractor. (Refer to Article 108-6 of the Standard Specifications for subletting percentages.) The Subcontract Amount is calculated by summing the Total Subcontract Amounts for the Subcontractor. Any items listed on the Attachment sheet for the Subcontractor is also included in the Subcontract Amount. The line items for 2<sup>nd</sup> Tier Subcontractor(s) are not included.
13. When any item requested to be sublet has been previously included in an approved subcontract, the following statement shall be included above the listing of these items: "The following items are being deleted from "Subcontract Request Number \_\_\_\_."
14. The Contractor, Subcontractor and 2<sup>nd</sup> Tier Subcontractor shall sign the original Subcontract Approval Form and the Contractor shall submit the form to the Resident Engineer.

**Sublet Percentages**

**FOR USE BY NCDOT PERSONNEL (for non HiCAMS contracts)**

The following is the process used to calculate the Sublet Percentages after the approval of each subcontract. The fields will not populate, this process should be hand calculated.

(1) Total Original Contract Amount _____	(5) Difference $\{1-(2+3)\}$ _____
(2) Specialty Items Sublet _____	(6) Percent by Prime $\{(1-4)/5\}$ _____
(3) Non-spec. Items Sublet to DBE/MBE/WBE _____	(7) Threshold Check $\{(1-4)/(1-2)\}$ _____
(4) Total Sublet (Grand Total) _____	









STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA  
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

LETTER OF INTENT TO PERFORM AS A SUBCONTRACTOR

CONTRACT:

NAME OF BIDDER:

The undersigned intends to perform work in connection with the above contract upon execution of the bid and subsequent award of contract by the Board of Transportation as:

Name of MBE/WBE/DBE Subcontractor \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Please check all that apply:

Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) \_\_\_\_

Women Business Enterprise (WBE) \_\_\_\_

Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) \_\_\_\_

The MBE /WBE /DBE status of the above named subcontractor is certified by the North Carolina Department of Transportation. The above named subcontractor is prepared to perform the described work listed on the attached MBE/WBE/DBE Commitment Items sheet, in connection with the above contract upon execution of the bid and subsequent award of contract by the Board of Transportation. The above named subcontractor is prepared to perform the described work at the estimated Commitment Total for Subcontractor Price identified on the MBE/WBE/DBE Commitment Items sheet and amount indicated below.

Commitment Total based on estimated Unit Prices and Quantities on the "attached" MBE/WBE/DBE Commitment Items sheet. Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_

The above named bidder and subcontractor mutually accepts the Commitment Total estimated for the Unit Prices and Quantities. This commitment total is based on estimated quantities only and most likely will vary up or down as the project is completed. Final compensation will be based on actual quantities of work performed and accepted during the pursuance of work. The above listed amount represents the entire dollar amount quoted based on these estimated quantities. No conversations, verbal agreements, and/or other forms of non-written representations shall serve to add, delete, or modify the terms as stated.

This document shall not serve in any manner as an actual subcontract between the two parties. A separate subcontractor agreement will describe in detail the contractual obligations of the bidder and the MBE/WBE/DBE subcontractor.

**Affirmation**

The above named MBE/ WBE/ DBE subcontractor affirms that it will perform the portion(s) of the contract for the estimated dollar value as stated above.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of MBE/ WBE/ DBE Subcontractor

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Bidder

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature / Title

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature / Title

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date



**State of North Carolina  
Department of Transportation  
Subcontractor Payment Information**

Submit with Invoice

Firm Invoice No. Reference 1231  
 NCDOT PO/Contract Number 360001234  
 WBS No. (State Project No.) 40491  
 Date of Invoice 12/11/2007  
 Signed John Doe

**EXAMPLE**

Invoice Line Item Reference (from PO)	Payer Name	Payer Federal Tax Id	Subcontractor / Subconsultant/ Material Supplier Name	Subcontractor / Subconsultant / Material Supplier Federal Tax Id	Amount Paid To Subcontractor / Subconsultant / Material Supplier This Invoice	Date Paid To Subcontractor / Subconsultant / Material Supplier This Invoice
<b>Example 1</b>						
10	XYZ Trucking	123-45-6789	ABC Company	987-65-4312	\$ 7,000.00	11/16/2007
60	CDF Company	456-78-9123	DEF Paving	789-12-3456	\$ 1,000.00	11/17/2007

**If no Subcontracto/Subconsultant participation, please submit form as shown below in Example 2**

**Example 2**

N/A					0.00	

	<b>Example 1</b>	<b>Example 2</b>
<b>Total Amount Paid to Subcontractor Firms</b>	\$ 8,000.00	0.00

**NOTE:** - These documents are scanned into our Fiscal program. Please do not highlight or shade the figures.

I certify that this information accurately reflects actual payments made and the dates the payments were made to Subcontractors/ Subconsultants/Material Suppliers on the above referenced project.

Signature	<u>John Doe</u>	Title	<u>Owner</u>
Print Name	<u>John Doe</u>	Date	<u>12/11/2007</u>

**Field**

**Instructions**

*Subgrantee Letterhead / Name & Address Goes Here*

Enter the name and address of the company, firm, governmental entity or subgrantee requesting payment from the North Carolina Department of Transportation

Submit with Invoice To:

Update this section with the name and address of the NCDOT representative that is responsible for processing payment requests for your contracts.

Firm Invoice No. Reference

Enter the invoice number that was submitted to NCDOT that corresponds with the payment information contained on this form.

NCDOT PO / Contract Number  
WBS No. (State Project No.)

Enter the NCDOT WBS element number assigned to this project.

Date of Invoice

Enter the date of the invoice that was submitted for payment.

Signed

Enter the name of the person responsible for the validity of the information contained on this form.

Invoice Line Item Reference

Enter the invoice line item or pay item that the DBE payment information is related to.

Payer Name

Enter the name of the company, firm, governmental entity or subgrantee that is responsible for paying the DBE subcontractor.

Payer Federal Tax Id

Enter the Federal Tax Identification number of the Payer (See Payer Name)

Subcontractor / Subconsultant/ Material Supplier Name

Enter the name of the DBE Subcontractor, Subconsultant or Material Supplier that is being paid for goods or services related to the NCDOT PO / Contract Number.

Subcontractor / Subconsultant/ Material Supplier Federal Tax Id

Enter the Federal Tax Identification number of the DBE Subcontractor, Subconsultant or Material Supplier that is being paid for goods or services related to the NCDOT PO / Contract Number.

Amount Paid To Subcontractor / Subconsultant / Material Supplier

Enter the amount paid to the DBE Subcontractor, Subconsultant or Material

This Invoice

Supplier for the invoice referenced.

Date Paid To Subcontractor / Subconsultant / Material Supplier This Invoice

Enter the date that the Subcontractor / Subconsultant / Material Supplier was paid for the items referenced on the invoice.

Total Amount Paid to DBE Firms

Enter the total payments made to all DBE Subcontractor / Subconsultant / Material Supplier for the invoice referenced.

VENDOR REGISTRATION FORM
NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Pursuant to Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Regulations, vendors must furnish their Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN) to the State. If this number is not provided, you may be subject to a 20% withholding on each payment. To avoid this 20% withholding and to insure that accurate tax information is reported to the Internal Revenue Service and the State, please use this form to provide the requested information exactly as it appears on file with the IRS.

INDIVIDUAL AND SOLE PROPRIETOR: ENTER NAME AS SHOWN ON SOCIAL SECURITY CARD
CORPORATION OR PARTNERSHIP : ENTER YOUR LEGAL BUSINESS NAME

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

MAILING ADDRESS: STREET/PO BOX: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY, STATE, ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

DBA / TRADE NAME (IF APPLICABLE): \_\_\_\_\_

BUSINESS DESIGNATION: [ ] INDIVIDUAL (use Social Security No.) [ ] SOLE PROPRIETER (use SS No. or Fed ID No.)
[ ] CORPORATION (use Federal ID No.) [ ] PARTNERSHIP (use Federal ID No.)
[ ] ESTATE/TRUST (use Federal ID no.) [ ] STATE OR LOCAL GOVT. (use Federal ID No.)
[ ] OTHER / SPECIFY \_\_\_\_\_

SOCIAL SECURITY NO. \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ (Social Security #)

OR

FED.EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NO. \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ (Employer Identification #)

COMPLETE THIS SECTION IF PAYMENTS ARE MADE TO AN ADDRESS OTHER THAN THE ONE LISTED ABOVE:

REMIT TO ADDRESS: STREET / PO BOX: \_\_\_\_\_
CITY, STATE, ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Participation in this section is voluntary. You are not required to complete this section to become a registered vendor. The information below will in no way affect the vendor registration process and its sole purpose is to collect statistical data on those vendors doing business with NCDOT. If you choose to participate, circle the answer that best fits your firm's group definition.

What is your firm's ethnicity? [ ] Prefer Not To Answer, [ ] African American, [ ] Native American, [ ] Caucasian American, [ ] Asian American, [ ] Hispanic American, [ ] Asian-Indian American, [ ] Other: \_\_\_\_\_ )

What is your firm's gender? [ ] Prefer Not to Answer, [ ] Male, [ ] Female Disabled-Owned Business? [ ] Prefer Not to Answer, [ ] Yes, [ ] No

IRS Certification

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

- 1. The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification and
2. I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the IRS that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding, and
3. I am a U.S. person (including a U.S. resident alien).

The IRS does not require your consent to any provision of this document other than the certifications required to avoid backup withholding. For complete certification instructions please see IRS FORM W-9 at http://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/fw9.pdf.

NAME (Print or Type) \_\_\_\_\_

TITLE (Print or Type) \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

To avoid payment delays, completed forms should be returned promptly to:

NC Department of Transportation
Fiscal /Commercial Accounts
1514 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-1514

PHONE (919) 733-3624 FAX (919) 715-3700

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

NOTARY SEAL

Subscribed and sworn to before me this the  
\_\_\_\_ 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

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

\_\_\_\_\_ Signature of Witness By \_\_\_\_\_ 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 \_\_\_\_ 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  
LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

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 Firm

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
Witness's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
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

NOTARY SEAL

Subscribed and sworn to before me this the  
\_\_\_\_ 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.

*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**

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 venturers 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  
By

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

If Corporation, affix Corporate Seal and

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

Address as prequalified  
By

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

If Corporation, affix Corporate Seal and

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

Address as prequalified  
By

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

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

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

NOTARY SEAL

Subscribed and sworn to before me this the  
\_\_\_\_ 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.

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

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

NOTARY SEAL

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
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 that is file 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.

**Execution of Contract**

CONTRACT NO.: D9-FIBER-14

COUNTY: Davidson, Davie, Forsyth, Rowan & Stokes

ACCEPTED BY THE \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Proposals Engineer**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

EXECUTION OF CONTRACT AND BONDS  
APPROVED AS TO FORM:

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Division Engineer**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

# NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION BID FORM

**CONTRACT NO.:** D9-FIBER-14

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** THIS IS A MAINTENANCE CONTRACT TO FURNISH AND INSTALL COMPLETE SINGLE MODE FIBER-OPTIC COMMUNICATION SYSTEM WITHIN NCDOT DIVISION 9. THESE SYSTEMS WILL INCLUDE AERIAL AND UNDERGROUND SPLICE ENCLOSURES AND DELINEATOR MARKERS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PLANS AND/OR SPECIFICATIONS WITHIN DAVIDSON, DAVIE, FORSYTH, ROWAN AND STOKES COUNTIES.

ITEM	Section #	DESCRIPTION	QUANTITY	UNIT	UNIT PRICE	AMOUNT BID
1	1710	Messenger Cable	500	LF		
2	1715	Tracer Wire	500	LF		
3	1721	Guy Assemblies	5	EA		
4	1722	Heat Shrink Tubing Retrofit Kit	10	EA		
5	1730	Communications Cable ( SMFO )	15,000	LF		
6	1730	Communications Drop Cable	5,000	LF		
7	1731	Interconnect Center	10	EA		
8	1731	Splice Enclosure	5	EA		
9	1732	Fiber-Optic Transceiver-Drop and Repeat	5	EA		
10	1732	Fiber-Optic Transceiver-Self Healing Ring	5	EA		
11	1733	Delineator Marker	10	EA		
12	1734	Remove Existing Communication Cable	10	LF		
13	1735	Communication Cable Transfer	10	EA		
14	SP	Fiber-Optic Splice Cabinet ( Pole Mount )	3	EA		
15	SP	Fiber-Optic Splice Cabinet ( Base Mount )	3	EA		

\*The Contractor shall note that all quantities are used only for figuring the lowest responsible bidder. The quantities may vary based on the amount of work needed during the year as directed by the Engineer.

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

CONTRACTOR \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

Federal Identification Number _____	Contractor's License Number _____
Authorized Agent _____	Title _____
Signature _____	Date _____
Witness _____	Title _____
Signature _____	Date _____

**THIS SECTION TO BE COMPLETED BY NORTH CAROLINA 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 \_\_\_\_\_ (date)

Accepted by NCDOT \_\_\_\_\_ Engineer \_\_\_\_\_ (date)