REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR ARCHITECTURAL/ENGINEERING INSPECTION SERVICES (RFP 12-002)

(Questions and Answers)

QUESTION 1: Task 1, Item #6 refers to Petrographic Examination to be performed if visual observations indicate. Since this testing relies upon the results of the field examination not yet performed, are we to exclude petrographic examination from our Laboratory Testing fee and the petrographic examination will be negotiated later? If the Petrographic Examination is to be included, is the Laboratory Testing fee to be considered a not-to-exceed Allowance to be billed as needed for the testing?

ANSWER 1: The Petrographic Examination is to be included in the Laboratory Testing fee and should be considered a not-to-exceed Allowance to be billed as needed for the testing.

QUESTION 2: Task 2, Work by Contractor, refers to work under Task 1, Item #3, and goes on to mention 6 locations to be assumed for destructive exploratory work at each garage. The intent and purpose of this exploratory work is not defined, since it relies upon the results of the delamination survey not yet performed. Since the exploratory requirements will not be known until the field examination phase is complete, this work cannot be incorporated in our lump sum fee. Task 1, item #6, though, refers to material testing for which core samples will need to be extracted. Is this a typo and Task 2 is supposed to reference #6 (not #3), which discusses material testing, and the exploratory work refers to the extraction of the core samples? If the reference to Item #3 is correct, is Task 2 to be excluded from our fee to be negotiated later?

ANSWER 2: Answer will be posted on Tuesday (December 27th).

QUESTION 3: Task 2 mentions several local contractors acceptable to the Owner. Will a list of the acceptable contractors be provided so we can request pricing? Or is our choice of contractor intended to be subject to approval by the Owner?

ANSWER 3: CCEDA does not currently have a list of acceptable contractors. The choice of contractor will be subject to reasonable approval by CCEDA.

QUESTION 4: Under Section VII, RFP Requirements and Conditions, Part m., the RFP states that "any firm awarded a contract under this RFP is prohibited from working on any other project...." Does this include any design & construction administration services that may result from recommendations made in this condition appraisal report?

ANSWER 4: No, the prohibition would not apply such services. Furthermore, such prohibition for future work is waivable at CCEDA discretion.

QUESTION 5: Can you please confirm that chain dragging of 100% of all floor surfaces is required. If less than 100% is required, please provide the percentage of the floors that will need to be chain dragged.

ANSWER 5: Yes, chain dragging of 100% of all floor surfaces is required.

QUESTION 6: Please clarify the scope of the visual examination of non-structural systems, specifically regarding the "Existing signage and way-finding."

ANSWER 6: The visual examination of the non-structural systems (including signage and way-finding) is limited to easily observable corrosion and evidence of degradation.

QUESTION 7: Please confirm that the evaluation of the existing lighting system will be limited to visual observations of the conduits and fixtures to identify corrosion or other easily identifiable evidence of degradation.

ANSWER 7: Yes, the evaluation of the existing lighting system will be limited to visual observations of the conduits and fixtures to identify corrosion or other easily identifiable evidence of degradation.

QUESTION 8: The review criteria indicate that firms will be rated on 5 criteria. Will the criteria be graded equally or will 1 or more criteria be graded higher than the others? If the criteria is graded unequally, can you provide us with the scoring system?

ANSWER 8: The various criteria will be weighted differently. The scoring system will not be available to proposers.

QUESTION 9: Will you be looking to hire the consultant based on the lowest cost or the best value?

ANSWER 9: CCEDA will use several criteria in making its final determination. Price will only be one of the criteria considered.

QUESTION 10: Has a specific quantity of Chloride Ion tests been established for this project?

ANSWER 10: No.

QUESTION 11: How many copies of the proposal are required?

ANSWER 11: Six copies are required.

QUESTION 12: Please confirm that electrical review is strictly visual.

ANSWER 12: Yes, the electrical review is strictly visual.

QUESTION 13: Task 3 – Pricing Estimates on page 5 – please confirm that this should result in a proposal/fees for Design, Bidding and Construction Administration services.

ANSWER 13: Yes, the pricing estimates should result in a proposal/fees for Design, Bidding and Construction Administration services.

QUESTION 14: Please confirm that the Level 4 plaza surface is not part of the scope of work.

ANSWER 14: The Level 4 plaza surface located above the North Garage is not part of the scope of work for this RFP.

QUESTION 15: Is the Final Report deliverable in two separate reports, one for each garage?

ANSWER 15: The final report may be delivered in one report or two separate reports (one for each garage).

QUESTION 16: Are drawings documenting the results of the chain drag survey to be part of the Final Report?

ANSWER 16: Yes.

QUESTION 17: Are AutoCAD drawings of the garages available?

ANSWER 17: There are some AutoCAD drawings of the garages but they are not a complete set; however, we have a full set of papers drawing available for your review. Appointments can be made to review such items.

QUESTION 18: The cost of petrographic tests shall be included as the base cost or alternate cost? RFP requests the performance of this test for the certain condition only.

ANSWER 18: The Petrographic Examination is to be included in the Laboratory Testing fee and should be considered a not-to-exceed Allowance to be billed as needed for the testing.

QUESTION 19: The prevailing wages are required for the Task 2 scopes (contractor's scope)?

ANSWER 19: Prevailing wages are only required for individual contracts exceeding \$50,000.

QUESTION 20: The future scopes (to be performed in 5,10, 15 years after the initial report) are exactly the same scopes as the initial report? All tests shall be included?

ANSWER 20: Yes to both parts of the question.