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Re: Cavendish ER BRF 0146 (13)

Dear Ann,

Please Consider this letter as a formal request to work between the period between December 1st 2013 and April 14th 2014 as required by General Special Provisions #9 and #10 in the contract documents. The following advantages are the basis for this request. The work items that we are requesting to work on during the period between December 1 and April 15th are as follows. Items 540.10 Precast abutment #1, 540.10 Pre-cast abutment #2, 540.10 Pre-cast approach slab #1, Pre-cast approach slab #2

1. On-site contractor fabricated pre-cast keeps the work in house and keeps our workers employed.
2. Keeps material sales to localized businesses.
3. With Aggressive completions dates and short bridge closure periods, contractor fabricated pre-cast keeps control in the hand of the prime contractor reducing delays.
4. With a growing increase of projects specifying pre-cast concrete and limited number of pre-cast plants with schedules available to meet deadlines, contractor fabricated pre-cast opens an additional avenue for both innovative contractors and the Agency to complete projects on time and with-in budget.
5. As the demand for pre-cast increases the prices have and will continue to escalate. The use of contractor fabricated pre-cast in the future may help to balance these cost increases.
6. Contractor fabricated pre-cast on site will reduce the need to haul overweight loads over Vermont's roads and bridges. Reducing these "super loads" will increase safety for the traveling public.

All these points are beneficial to the Contractor, the Agency of Transportation, and the traveling public. Cold River Bridges, LLC will complete the contractor fabricated pre-cast during the winter time period. Detailed plans and cold weather provisions have been submitted as part of the DVEP.

Thank You,

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