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ADDENDUM

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SCHENECTADY COUNTY PUBLIC COURTHOUSE CONDENSATE DRAIN REHABILITATION

ADDENDUM #1

Issued Date: 12/08/23

The purpose of this addendum is to provide detailed information to all Bidders. This addendum is hereby included in and made part of the Contract Documents, whether or not attached thereto. Receipt of this Addendum must be acknowledged on the bid form.

The following documents is hereby included in the documents posted on Bidnet and provided to plan holders:

CONTENTS/RESPONSE TO QUESTIONS/REFERENCE TO ATTACHMENTS:

General Bid RFI's

1. Q: Will the piping and ceiling work be performed on 2nd or 3rd shift?
 - a. Response: Contractors to assume 25% of the job will be performed on 2nd or 3rd shift. County will work with contractor to minimize necessity, but this is an active courthouse.
2. Q: Who will be responsible for the Lead and Asbestos testing/ removal?
 - a. Response: The County
3. Q: Who will be responsible for the cleaning/ removal of desks, legal documents, active functioning legal offices?
 - a. Response: The County will work with the low bidder. However, the Contractor should make every effort to cover furniture with plastic and minimize disturbances.
4. Q: Will rooms need to be put back together for the next morning's office activities?
 - a. Response: Yes
5. Comment: Once tied into existing condensate piping, we will need to determine a termination location (window, sink, etc.) by the end of each shift to prevent water damage. This will require rework and multiple handling in locations. Required rework will require added costs.



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- a. Response: Work is scheduled to be done during the heating season, so there will be significantly less condensation. Recommend temporarily routing to the nearest mop basin, sink, etc., if condensation occurs between phases. Second option, again because of the heating season installation schedule, a 5-gallon bucket could be used to catch any residual dripping, at the temporary termination points, on an overnight basis.
- 6. Q:** How many rooms will we be given access to at one time? Will need access to two floors at a time to work with units above and below to know where condensate piping will be located and run. (Example: Will need 4th and third floor room sections at same time to run mains on third floor and tie in 4th floor units). Then we will need the same third floor rooms and second floor rooms below to run the mains in the second floor to tie in the third room. Delays, or inability to execute installation plan will be loss of productivity.
- a. Response: County will work with low bidder. Some areas will need to be done on off hours in order to achieve this.
- 7. Q:** Will a schedule of courtroom activities be available?
- a. Response: Yes, during preconstruction meeting this will be provided.
- 8. Q:** Each core drill location in judge chambers and DA office, all rooms currently have carpet. Will need to remove sections of carpet to complete the core drilling. Who is repairing the carpet? We will need to complete utilizing wet drilling methods.
- a. Response: Please see General Note A. (All drawings) – for cutting and patching instruction.
- 9. Comment:** Currently there is no room in FCUs to run 3/4" pvc piping inside of units, we will need to add additional core drills on the exterior of many units to complete the scope of work We suggest, 3/8" tubing (currently and some locations) to run condensate.
- a. Response: Refer to detail 1/P001 & 3/P001 indicating optional reuse of existing opening. Once the tubing portions are clear of the units transition to rigid pipe should be done before connecting to risers
- 10. Comment:** There are pipe connections shown that go through walls. This would require opening and patching of the walls. This is not in any scope of work. Please advise.
- a. Response: This is, in fact, in the scope of work. The piping is routed through the



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walls on the construction documents. Please refer to Cutting and Patching note on drawings for further instruction.

11. Q: Room 313 is an example of one room where a core drill through a built-in bookcase. Who will be responsible for the removal and replacement of the bookcase?

a. Response: Please see P-103, room 313: The condensate drops in the bathroom, which does not have a built-in bookcase.

12. Comment: The spec book calls for testing of the new condensate system. Please give instructions of how to test the system.

a. Response: Per the specifications, the piping is to be tested with water, the preferred method would be to temporarily plug/cap pipe openings and fill the rigid pipe risers to visual confirm glued joints are leak free. Take-offs to each unit tubing or rigid laterals would be exempt from testing with visual confirmation that a glued joint has not been missed.

13. Q: Can a construction start and end date be provided?

a. Response:
i. Start: ASAP
ii. End: Before May 1st, 2024

Please acknowledge this addendum on your bid form.

END OF ADDENDUM #1