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ITEM 1 New Department Name

1. In 2012, the Department of “Supply and Services” was reorganized. The Buildings Division was merged with the former DOT to become the new Department of Transportation and Infrastructure (DTI). For all future documentation and correspondence related to Buildings, the following department name shall be used, “Department of Transportation and Infrastructure –Buildings Division”.

ITEM 2 Moving to New Location

1. Effective **February 1st, 2013** the “Department of Transportation and Infrastructure – Buildings Division” will be at their new location “**440 King Street, 4th floor – King Tower – Kings Place Fredericton, NB, E3B 5H8**”.
2. **All phone numbers will remain the same**

ITEM 3 Advertising Modifications

1. Effective **February 1st, 2013** the Tenders will **NO LONGER** be advertised in newspapers.
2. Effective **February 1st, 2013**, Department of Transportation and Infrastructure – Buildings Division construction tenders will **ONLY** be posted on the New Brunswick Opportunities Network (NBON). Contractors **MUST** be registered with NBON to receive notification of Buildings Division construction tenders. Vendors can register online free of charge at **www.gnb.ca/3000**. For assistance with registration you can contact the NBON Helpline at **1-800-561-1422** or **nbon@gnb.ca**

ITEM 4 New Tender Document Distribution

- .1 Effective **February 1st, 2013**, tender documents can be purchased online at the New Brunswick Department of Transportation and Infrastructure website under the online Tenders section or on the NBON website. Payment for the tender documents will be made online through SNB (Service New Brunswick) by credit card (MasterCard, Visa, or American Express) or debit card. Payment can also be made in person at Department of Transportation and

ITEM 4 New Tender Document Distribution (cont'd)

Infrastructure, 440 King Street, 5th floor – King Tower – Kings Place Fredericton, NB, E3B 5H8 by cash or cheque ONLY. Debit and credit card machines will NOT be available. Cheques must be made payable to the Minister of Finance. Tender Documents may also be requested in person at the same location. Once payment has been received, either online or in person, the request to send the paper copy of the tender documents will be processed. PDF version of the tender documents will not be available. Telephone: 453-2706.

ITEM 5 Specification Format and Requirement

- .1 Page format for specification must be CSC format. Header format must be NMS.
- .2 **Performance based specifications without any products or manufacturers specified are NOT acceptable.**
- .3 **Products and Manufacturers MUST be specified for all types of specification used.**

ITEM 6 General Modifications to Standard “Front-End” Documents

- .1 On gymnasium floor retrofits, the consultants shall make sure before any removal of old “rubber” gymnasium floors that they have been tested to see if they contain any “mercury” This is to be done before any work may commence.
1. As a reminder and for general information purposes, below are the steps for viewing and downloading the DTI (Department of Transportation and Infrastructure-Buildings Division) Standard Documents.
 - “1 The Department of Transportation and Infrastructure - Buildings Division "Front End" specifications document has been modified for bilingualism purposes and as part of a paper reduction initiative program.
 - .1 The "Front End" specification document now consists of "Standard Specification" sections and "Project Specific Specification" sections.
 - .2 The "Standard Specification" sections shall form part of the tender documents however will not be bound with the tender documents. Coordinate and use the STANDARD SPECIFICATION front end as a complement to the PROJECT SPECIFIC tender documents.
 - .3 The "STANDARD SPECIFICATION " sections is available for viewing and downloading from the Province of New Brunswick's web site.
 - .4 It is the responsibility of all bidders to view, read and/or download this document as it is part of all Department of Transportation and Infrastructure - Buildings Division's tender packages.
 - .5 The "PROJECT SPECIFIC SPECIFICATIONS" is bound with the tender documents/package.
 - .2 View or Download the "Standard Specification" front end document from the web site at the following address: <http://www.gnb.ca/00999/designconstruction/standards-e.asp>.
 - .1 Instructions for download:
 - .1 Select the PDF document under item 1.1 of the "Standard Specification Sections".
 - .2 Once you are on the next screen which says “Internet Explorer cannot display the webpage” select the "Open FTP Site in Windows explorer" tab under either the "Page" button or the "View" button.
 - .3 Download the files to your desired location on your computer.

ITEM 6 General Modifications to Standard “Front-End” Documents (cont’d)

- .2 Always verify the revision date of the "STANDARD SPECIFICATION" front end document on the web site. This is a document that will be monitored and revised on a regular basis. Always verify, read or download before bidding. Downloading it once will not suffice for all projects.”
2. Revised part of cover page to read:
“ ...
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE
BUILDINGS DIVISION,
440 King Street,
4th Floor –
King Tower – Kings Place
Fredericton, NB,
E3B 5H8”.
- ATTENTION: ...”

ITEM 7 Modifications to “Specific” Specification Sections

1. Section 00 11 17, 00 11 18, changed spec note and article notes 1.1.1, 1.1.2 and 1.1.3 to read:
- Article 1.1.1:
“.1 Sealed tenders will be received by the Department of Transportation and Infrastructure - Buildings Division until **2:00 p.m.**, [Month, Day], [Year], **440 King Street, 5th floor – King Tower – Kings Place Fredericton, NB, E3B 5H8**, for the following project.”
- Article 1.1.2:
“- SPEC NOTE (REVISED Frenette November/14/2012): Documents cost \$50 for projects valued under \$1,000,000 (non-refundable) and \$200 for projects valued over \$1,000,000 (non-refundable).
.2 Plans, Specifications, Tender Documents can be purchased online at the New Brunswick Department of Transportation and Infrastructure website under the online Tenders section or on the NBON website. Payment for the tender documents will be made online through SNB (Service New Brunswick) by credit card (MasterCard, Visa, or American Express) or debit card. Upon receipt of a deposit of [\$50.00][\$200.00] + HST (non-refundable) per set. Other information may be requested in person at the Department of Transportation and Infrastructure, **440 King Street, 5th floor – King Tower – Kings Place Fredericton, NB, E3B 5H8**. Payment can also be made in person by cash or cheque ONLY, debit and credit card machines will NOT be available. Cheques must be made payable to the Minister of Finance. Tender Documents may also be requested in person at the same location. Once payment has been received, either online or in person, the request to send the paper copy of the tender documents will be processed. PDF version of the tender documents will not be available. Telephone: 453-2706.”
- Article 1.1.3:
“.3 Plans, Specifications, Tender Documents are included with this package. All other information must be obtained from the Central Tendering Section, Department of Transportation and Infrastructure - Buildings Division, **440 King Street, 5th floor – King Tower – Kings Place Fredericton, NB, E3B 5H8**. Telephone: 453-2706.”

ITEM 7 Modifications to “Specific” Specification Sections (cont’d)

2. Section 00 11 17 changed article 1.1.9 to read “General Contractor's tenders must be accompanied by a security deposit in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the tendered quotation. The security deposit may be in the form of a Bid Bond or Certified Cheque or Negotiable Security as indicated on the Tender Form. Please note that, as of August 15, 2008, an "Irrevocable Standby Letter of Credit" is considered to be an acceptable "Negotiable Security". Refer to the Crown Construction Contracts Act - New Brunswick Regulation 82-109, article 16(3)(f) for additional information. **Bank drafts are NOT acceptable.”**
3. Section 00 21 14, changed article 1.2.1.2 to read:
“2 TO: Department of Transportation and Infrastructure - Buildings Division, Province of New Brunswick **440 King Street, 5th floor – King Tower – Kings Place Fredericton, NB, E3B 5H8.**”
4. Section 00 21 14, changed article 1.3.1 to read:
“1.3 STANDARD DOCUMENTS
.1 The following listed STANDARD DOCUMENTS form an integral part of the Contract Documents. They shall be read in conjunction with and shall govern each division of the specification together with the drawings. These "STANDARD DOCUMENTS" are not bound with the Tender Documents, but may be viewed at the Central Tendering Section, Services Group, Department of Transportation and Infrastructure - Buildings Division, **440 King Street, 5th floor – King Tower – Kings Place Fredericton, NB, E3B 5H8** or at the Construction Association Offices.”
5. Section 00 21 14; added an article regarding underground piping that serve sprinkler systems
“1.4.4.6.1.1 The piping will be pressure tested to 200psi for a duration of two continuous hours.”
6. Section 00 21 14; the article “1.5 BID DEPOSITORY” has been considerably modified and must be read entirely to see the new categories and the modified ones.
“- SPEC NOTE (Frenette November/15/2012): On projects where the estimated value is \$500,000.00 or greater, the following sub-trades only will be called through the Bid Depository:
-Structural Steel when valued at \$100,000.00 or more. Do not include requirements for quality programs such as ISO 9000, ASIC or CSIC in description of work. The only requirement for quality assurance program approved by the Department of Transportation and Infrastructure - Buildings Division is as described in article 1.6 STRUCTURAL STEEL THIRD PARTY QUALITY ASSURANCE CERTIFICATION of section 00 43 00 SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION APPENDIX "A". Coordinate also with article 1.2 BID DEPOSITORY PRICES of section 00 41 14 TENDER FORM "F".
-Masonry when valued at \$100,000.00 or more.
-Roofing when valued at \$50,000.00 or more.
-Plumbing when valued at \$100,000.00 or more.
-Ventilation and Air Conditioning (VAC) when valued at \$100,000.00 or more (VAC includes controls).On major capital projects, "the Department of Transportation and Infrastructure - Buildings Division Project Manager" will advise when the Controls are to be a separate entity in the Bid Depository. Very IMPORTANT: when advised to divide the VAC and Controls, make sure that the design is done accordingly and clearly marked. In the past there have been gaps, omissions or unclear directives as to what extent each trade has to complete their work. This has resulted in additional cost change orders to contracts. Make sure that all requirements are met and that all systems are compatible and can tie into each other even though these applications have been separated.
-Medical Gas when valued at \$100,000.00 or more.
-Liquid Heat Transfer (Heating and Cooling) when valued at \$100,000.00 or more.
-Sprinklers when valued at \$100,000.00 or more.

ITEM 7 Modifications to “Specific” Specification Sections (cont’d)

- Electrical when valued at \$100,000.00 or more.”
7. Section 00 21 14 changed article 1.6.2 to read “All tenders must be accompanied by a security deposit in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the total tender price. The security deposit may be in the form of a Bid Bond, Certified Cheque or Negotiable security as indicated on the Tender Form. Please note that, as of August 15, 2008, an "Irrevocable Standby Letter of Credit" is considered to be an acceptable "Negotiable Security". Refer to the Crown Construction Contracts Act - New Brunswick Regulation 82-109, article 16(3)(f) for additional information. **Bank Drafts are NOT acceptable.**”
 8. Section 00 21 14 added article “1.6.3.1.4 **Bid Bond** must be signed by a principal of the company submitting a bid.”
 9. Section 00 21 14 added article “1.6.3.1.5 **Bid Bond** must have the company seal of the company submitting a bid.”
 10. Section 00 21 14 added article “1.6.3.1.6 **Bid Bonds** must be good for a minimum of 21 days from tender closing date.
 11. Section 00 21 14 added article “1.6.5.1 **Bank Drafts are not acceptable**. Any bid submitted with a bank draft as bid security will be rejected.”
 12. Section 00 41 14; deleted the spec note and the following article “1.9.5 I/We have reviewed and acknowledge the requirements for a "Quality Control/Assurance and enforcement programs" for the Casework and Architectural Woodwork.”
 13. Section 00 141 14, section 00 41 44 added a location for the “postal code” and “fax number” where we require the information to be filled out for the Firm Name.
 14. Sections 00 41 14, section 00 41 44; added the second page of the Irrevocable Standby Letter of Credit that was missing for both English and French versions.
 15. Section 00 41 14; added “1.4.1.1 Separate prices are not included in the tender price.”
 16. Section 00 41 44; deleted the spec note and the following article “1.4.5 I/We have reviewed and acknowledge the requirements for a "Quality Control/Assurance and enforcement programs" for the Casework and Architectural Woodwork.”
 17. Section 01 00 01; deleted article “1.9 CONTRACTORS REQUEST FOR INFORMATION (RFI) DURING CONSTRUCTION”.
 18. Section 01 00 02 ; changed article 1.3.5 to read “Unless otherwise indicated in the PROJECT SPECIFIC SPECIFICATIONS, the Department of Transportation and Infrastructure - Buildings Division will provide a maximum of 20 sets of tender documents for contract administration purposes to the winning tender. These will be sent at the winning tender’s expense.”
 19. Section 01 00 02; added the following wording in article “1.6.1.2 ...will be allowed. Submit a shop drawing schedule immediately after award of contract before first site meeting to Engineer - Architect for review and approval.”
 20. Section 01 00 02 added articles; -
 - “1.15.1.6 Vacuum clean and dust entire building interiors, including but not limited to behind grilles, louvers, screens above t-bar ceilings, above ducts and/or any equipment above t-bar ceiling and as directed by the Engineer-Architect.”
 - “1.15.10 Building must be delivered in clean condition as determined and accepted by Engineer-Architect.”
 - “1.15.11 Leave ALL spaces, concealed and exposed, in a clean state free of any dust and debris. Clean to Engineer's-Architect's approval.”