

**SCOPE OF SERVICE  
FOR  
Specialty Services  
ITS Services  
Road Weather Information Systems (RWIS) Evaluation  
REQ #1120 QA1  
2/28/2013**

Question 1:

Will MDOT please consider removing the ITS Design and System Manager Pre-Qualification requirement for this RWIS Evaluation project. The ITS requirements as specified by the State for this category appear to be heavily geared towards the civil and transportation engineering discipline, with a focus on ensuring the project managers have a strong background in transportation and traffic engineering principles.

The scope of work as defined in this RFP is instead best served by individuals that have strong backgrounds in Road Weather Operations and Road Weather Information Systems (RWIS), both of which are generally better understood by experienced Meteorologists who specialize and are skilled in the use and operations of road weather and management systems. Coupled with the fact that a Meteorologist typically receives their educational degree through an accredited Atmospheric Sciences discipline, it is therefore rare to find one that will also qualify as a professional civil engineer and PTOE, and who can meet the other unrelated equipment and transportation related skills that are needed to be pre-qualified in the State of Michigan in this ITS discipline.

**Answer 1:**

**ITS Design and System Manager Pre-Qualification requirement will remain on this RFP. However, this requirement does not preclude a company that is not pre-qualified from working with a pre-qualified consultant as a sub-vendor as long as the designated work for the sub-vendor does not fall under the prequalification category. A list of all pre-qualified vendors can be found here: <http://mdotcf.state.mi.us/public/psvr/>**

Question 2.

The RFP states that this is a Qualification Based Selection (QBS) process and the selection team will review the information submitted and will select the firm considered most qualified to perform the services based on the proposals. Upon confirmation, that firm will be asked to prepare a priced proposal. Can we assume no pricing is required in our proposal?

**Answer 2.**

**Correct, there is no price included with the initial proposal.**

Question 3.

We understand only prequalified vendors will be considered. Our company has been doing business with MDOT for years, but do not know if we are prequalified. Is there somewhere I can confirm our status.

**Answer 3.**

**The list of pre-qualified vendors in all categories can be found on the MDOT webpage and the following link: <http://mdotcf.state.mi.us/public/psvr/> . The process for becoming a pre-qualified vendor is also on the MDOT webpage and can be found at the following web address: [http://www.michigan.gov/mdot/0,1607,7-151-9625\\_21540-34068--,00.html](http://www.michigan.gov/mdot/0,1607,7-151-9625_21540-34068--,00.html)**