

**Specialty Services for evaluation of bridge decks using Infrared Thermography
Requisition 1581 QA1
8/25/2014**

1. Q-The Tier 1 checklist says "No Resumes" but the bookmarks show a resume section. Should we submit resumes?

A- The Best Value scoring listed on page 5 of the Request for Proposal (RFP) supersedes the 5100B form. Please include all applicable resumes with your submittal.

2. Q-The bid sheet calls for unit prices, but the consultant payment section discusses reimbursement for vehicle expenses and cost of travel. Are these costs separate from the unit costs, or should the unit costs include all vehicle and travel expenses?

A- The reimbursement for vehicle expenses and cost of travel payment language that you refer to is listed in all RFPs at this time.

3. Q - The project schedule, from Sept 15, 2014 to June 30, 2015, allows the possibility of data collection in the fall of 2014 and/or the spring of 2015. Does MDOT have a requirement or preference as to when the IR data is collected?

A – The project schedule was set to include the fall of 2014 and the spring of 2015 because we realize the work is weather dependent and the exact date of contract authorization is unknown. Completing the work in the fall of 2014 is our goal, but if authorization is delayed or weather prohibits completion of the work in the fall, it can be pushed to next spring.

4. Q - What was the rationale for the selection of the 11 bridges to be surveyed in this project?

A – The 9 bridge decks in Metro Region are included in this NDE testing so that the evaluations can be used as an asset management tool. The 2 bridges in Southwest Region are included because they were scanned with IR Thermography at near highway speed in 2013 and we are interested in assessing the repeatability of this technology.