

INFORMATIONAL PROPOSAL (For information only, not to be used for bidding)

NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF ROADS
LETTING DATE : August 01, 2002

CALL ORDER: N09 CONTRACT ID: 3903A

CONTROL NO./SEQ. NO.: 39903A /000 PROJECT NO.: PM-D3(1015)

TENTATIVE START DATE: 09/03/02 CONTRACT TIME: 45 WORKING DAYS

LOCATION: DISTRICT 3, DISTRICTWIDE

IN COUNTY: CEDAR DIXON MADISON OTHERS

BIDDER

GROUP 3 CONCRETE PAVEMENT

NOTES

THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF WORK WHICH WILL BE ACCEPTED IN THIS LETTING IS LIMITED TO \$_____.

THE NUMBER OF _____ CONTRACTS WHICH WILL BE ACCEPTED IN THIS LETTING IS LIMITED TO _____.

NOTICE TO ALL BIDDERS

To report bid rigging activities, call: 1-800-424-9071

The U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) operates the above toll-free "hotline" Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. eastern time. Anyone with knowledge of possible bid rigging, bidder collusion, or other fraudulent activities should use the "hotline" to report such activities.

The "hotline" is part of the DOT's continuing effort to identify and investigate highway construction contract fraud and abuse and is operated under the direction of the DOT Inspector General. All information will be treated confidentially and caller anonymity will be respected.

LETTING QUESTIONS

Prior to the letting, any questions pertaining to the Special Provisions or the plans for this project should be directed to Construction Division personnel at (402) 479-4568 or (402) 479-4529.

STATE OF NEBRASKA
DEPARTMENT OF ROADS

Required Provisions Supplemental to the
Standard Specifications for Highway Construction

I. Application

These contract provisions shall apply to all work performed on the contract by the contractor with his own organization and with the assistance of workmen under his immediate superintendence and to all work performed on the contract by piecework, station work, or by subcontract.

The contractor shall insert in each of his subcontracts all of the stipulations contained in the Special Provisions and these Required Provisions.

A breach of any of the stipulations contained in these Required Provisions may be grounds for termination of the contract.

II. Equal Opportunity

1. **Selection of Labor**

During the performance of this contract, the contractor shall not discriminate against labor from any other state.

2. **Nebraska Fair Employment Practices Act**

The contractor shall not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment, to be employed in the performance of this contract with respect to his hire, tenure, terms, conditions, or privileges of employment, because of his race, color, religion, sex or national origin. The contractor agrees to post in a conspicuous place or places a notice to be provided by the State Highway Department which sets forth excerpts of the Act.

3. **Nebraska Equal Pay Act**

The contractor shall not discriminate on the basis of sex by paying wages to employees of one sex at a lesser rate than the rate paid to employees of the opposite sex for comparable work on jobs which have comparable requirements. An abstract of the Act is included on the notice which is provided by the State Highway Department.

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III. Employment of Labor

1. General

No person under the age of sixteen (16) years, and no one whose age or physical condition is such as to make his employment dangerous to his health or safety, or to the health and safety of others shall be employed on any project. This paragraph shall not be construed to deny the employment of older people or physically handicapped persons, otherwise employable, where such persons may be safely assigned to work which they can ably perform.

No person currently serving sentence to a penal or correction institution shall be employed on any project.

Except as specifically provided under this section, workers who are qualified by training or experience to be assigned to projects of this character shall not be discriminated against on any grounds whatsoever.

2. Payrolls

Payrolls and basic records relating thereto will be maintained during the course of the work and preserved for a period of three years thereafter for all laborers and mechanics working on the site of the work.

The contractor's and subcontractor's payroll records shall be available for inspection by authorized representatives of the State Highway Department and authorized representatives of Federal Agencies.

The wages of labor shall be paid in legal tender of the United States, except that this condition will be considered satisfied if payment is made by a negotiable check, on a solvent bank, which may be cashed readily by the employee in the local community for the full amount, without discount or collection charges of any kind. Where checks are used for payment the contractor shall make all necessary arrangements for them to be cashed and shall give information regarding such arrangements.

No fee of any kind shall be asked or accepted by the contractor or any of his agents from any person as a condition of employment on the project.

No laborers shall be charged for any tools used in performing their respective duties except for reasonably avoidable loss or damage thereto.

Every employee on the work covered by this contract shall be permitted to lodge, board and trade where and with whom he elects and neither the contractor nor his agents, nor his employees shall directly or indirectly require as a condition of employment that an employee shall lodge, board or trade at a particular place or with a particular person.

No charge shall be made for any transportation furnished by the contractor or his agents to any person employed on the work.

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No individual shall be employed as a laborer on this contract except on a wage basis, but this shall not be construed to prohibit the rental of teams, trucks or other equipment from individuals. No such rental agreement, or any charges for feed, gasoline, supplies, or repairs on account of such agreement, shall cause any deduction from the wages accruing to any employee except as authorized by the regulations hereinbefore cited.

IV. Safety and Accident Prevention

In the performance of this contract, the contractor shall comply with all applicable Federal, State and local laws governing safety, health and sanitation. The contractor shall provide all safeguards, safety devices and protective equipment and take any other needed actions, on his own responsibility or as the contracting officer may determine, reasonably necessary to protect the life and health of employees on the job and the safety of the public and to protect property in connection with the performance of the work covered by the contract.

V. Subletting or Assigning the Contract

The contractor shall perform with his own organization contract work amounting to not less than 30 percent of the total contract amount except that any items designated in the contract as "Specialty Items" may be performed by subcontract and the amount of any such "Specialty Items" so performed may be deducted from the total contract amount before computing the amount of work required to be performed by the contractor with his own organization.

Any items that have been selected as "Specialty Items" for the contract are listed as such in the Special Provisions found elsewhere in the contract.

No portion of the contract shall be sublet, assigned, or otherwise disposed of except with the written consent of the contracting officer or his authorized representative. Requests for permission to sublet assign or otherwise dispose of any portion of the contract shall be in writing and accompanied by a showing that the organization which will perform the work is particularly experienced and equipped for such work. The contractor shall give assurance that the minimum wage for labor as stated in his proposal shall apply to labor performed on all work sublet, assigned or otherwise disposed of in any way. Consent to sublet, assign or otherwise dispose of any portion of the contract shall not be construed to relieve the contractor of any responsibility for the fulfillment of the contract.

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**SPECIAL PROVISIONS
FOR
STATE
PROJECT NO. PM-D3(1015)**

GENERAL CONDITIONS

Sealed bids for the work contemplated in this proposal form will be received at the office of the Nebraska Department of Roads in Room 104 of the Central Office Building at 1500 Highway 2 at Lincoln, Nebraska, on August 1, 2002, until 1:30 P.M.

Bids submitted by mail should be addressed to the Nebraska Department of Roads, c/o Contract Lettings Section, P.O. Box 94759, Lincoln, NE 68509-4759.

The 1997 English Edition of the Standard Specifications for Highway Construction, including all amendments and additions thereto effective at the date of the contract, are made a part of these Special Provisions, through reference.

The Supplemental Specifications to the 1997 English Edition of the Standard Specifications for Highway Construction dated July 12, 2001, including all amendments and additions thereto effective at the date of the contract, are made part of these Special Provisions, through reference.

The Required Provisions dated April 4, 1995, are attached to and are a part of this proposal form.

The attention of bidders is directed to the Required Provisions covering subletting or assigning the contract.

The proposal contains a statement that the contractor is complying with, and will continue to comply with, fair labor standards in the pursuit of his business and in the execution of the work contemplated in this proposal.

Fair labor standards shall be construed to mean such a scale of wages and conditions of employment as are paid and maintained by at least fifty per cent of the contractors in the same business or field of endeavor as the contractor filing this proposal.

BIDDING PROPOSAL FORMS FOR THIS WORK WILL BE ISSUED AND A CONTRACT AWARDED TO A CONTRACTOR WHO IS QUALIFIED FOR CONCRETE PAVEMENT OR BITUMINOUS.

STATUS OF UTILITIES

No utilities have been or will be required to relocate within the limits of this project.

Underground utilities may exist within the limits of this project. The Contractor shall determine to his satisfaction the extent of occupancy of any underground utilities located within the respective construction areas and the extent of conflict with the proposed work under this contract.

Any utility adjustments or interruption of service for the convenience of the Contractor shall be the sole responsibility of the Contractor.

To arrange for utilities to locate and flag their underground facilities, contact The Diggers Hotline of Nebraska at 1-800-331-5666.

**STATUS OF RIGHT-OF-WAY
(S1-16-0801)**

According to the best information available, all necessary right-of-way has been acquired.

**SUBCONTRACTOR BIDDERS LIST INFORMATION
(S1-43-0801)**

All bidders must complete and submit with the bidding proposal, the "Subcontractor Bidders List" form provided by the NDR Contracts office.

Bidders must identify all firms who bid or quote subcontracts on all projects. If no bids or subcontractor quotations are received, the "Subcontractor Bidders List" must be submitted with the bidding documents and the bidder must indicate on the face of the "Subcontractor Bidders List" that no bids or subcontractor quotations were received.

**CONTROL OF WORK
(S1-43-0901)**

Subsection 105.08 in the 1997 Standard Specifications is void and replaced by the following:

105.08 - Authority and Duty of the Inspector

Department inspectors are authorized to inspect all work performed and all materials furnished. Such inspection may extend to the preparation, fabrication, or manufacture of the materials. The inspector has the authority to reject work or materials until any issues can be decided, including the right to suspend work. The inspector is not authorized to alter or waive the provisions of the contract or act as a supervisor for the Contractor.

105.13 – Tentative Acceptance of Portions of the Project

Paragraph 3.a. of Subsection 105.13 is amended by deleting the word "normal".

**LEGAL RELATIONS AND RESPONSIBILITY TO THE PUBLIC
(S1-43-1001)**

107.14 – Opening of Sections of the Project to Traffic

Subsection 107.14 Paragraphs 2.b.(1) and (2) are void and replaced by the following:

- 2.b. (1) Whenever the Department permits the public use of a highway undergoing construction, repair, or maintenance in lieu of a detour route, the Contractor shall not be held responsible for damages to those portions of the project upon which the Department permitted public use, when such damages are the result of no proximate act or failure to act on the part of the Contractor.
- (2) If the traveling public should cause damage to the roadway, the Contractor shall assist the State in identifying the responsible party and the Contractor shall as a minimum if present at the time of the damage record pertinent information regarding the accident. (Who caused the damage; when the damage occurred; and how the damage was resulted.)

107.15 – Contractor's Responsibility for Work

Subsection 107.15 is amended by adding Paragraph 1.b.(3) as follows:

- (3) The Contractor shall not be held responsible for damage caused by the traveling public on those portions of the project where the Department has permitted public use of the road in lieu of using a detour route and the damage as not the result of any proximate act or failure to act on the part of the Contractor.

**MEASUREMENT AND PAYMENT
(S1-43-0901)**

109.08 – Acceptance, Final Payment, and Termination of Contractor's Responsibility

Subsection 109.08 Paragraph c. amended by deleting the word "normal".

Subsection 109.08 Paragraph d. is void and replaced by the following:

- d. If the traveling public should cause damage to the roadway the Contractor shall assist the State in identifying the responsible party and the Contractor shall as a minimum if present at the time of the damage record pertinent information regarding the accident. (Who caused the damage; when the damage occurred; and how are damage was resulted.)

AWARD AND EXECUTION OF CONTRACT

The first sentence of Subsection 103.03 in the Standard Specifications is void and superseded by the following:

The bidder to whom the contract is awarded shall furnish within 5 days after the award, a contract bond, in a sum equal to the full amount of the contract.

The first sentence of Subsection 103.04 is void and superseded by the following:

The contract shall be signed by the successful bidder and returned, together with a satisfactory bond, within 5 days from the date of award.

Paragraph 1.a. of Subsection 103.05 is void and superseded by the following:

- a. Fails to file an acceptable performance bond within 5 days from the date of award.

NEBRASKA CENTRAL RAILROAD COMPANY

RAILROAD SAFETY TRAINING (S1-22A-0801)

The railroad company requires that anyone working within the railroad right-of-way attend a "Rail Safety Training" class. The Contractor, or their representative, will not be allowed on railroad right-of-way until they have successfully completed the mandatory safety training. The railroad will present a certification card to everyone who completes their safety training, and construction crews will be required to have their safety training certification cards in their possession at all times when they are working on railroad right-of-way.

The contractor will be responsible for all costs associated with attending this training class.

FLAGGING PROTECTION

When, for any reason, the Manager Track & Structures or other duly authorized representative of the Nebraska Central Railroad Company shall deem it necessary to employ flagmen for the protection of train operations, such flagmen shall be furnished by the Railroad Company and all costs for such flagmen shall be borne by the contractor.

Prospective bidders shall familiarize themselves fully with the Railroad Company's requirements for flagging protection before bidding on the work.

REIMBURSEMENT TO RAILROAD COMPANY FOR FLAGGING COSTS (S1-24-0801)

At all times while performing such work, flagmen shall be deemed to be employees of the Railroad Company.

The contractor shall reimburse the Railroad Company directly for this flagging protection and shall make a showing that the Railroad Company has been reimbursed for all necessary flagging required by his operations before final payment for the work contemplated in the contract is made by the State.

Direct payment for flagging protection as required in these special provisions will not be made but it shall be considered that this work is subsidiary to any or all of the items for which the contract provides that direct payment shall be made.

FLAGGING CONDITIONS (S1-25-0801)

Flagging and other protective services and devices will be provided by the Company to protect its facilities, property and movements of its trains or engine.

In general, the Company will furnish such flagging or other protective services and devices:

- (a) For any excavation below elevation of track subgrade, if, in the opinion of the Company's representative, track or other railroad facilities may be subject to settlement or movement.
- (b) During any clearing, grubbing, grading or blasting in proximity to the railroad, which, in the opinion of the Company's representative, may endanger or interfere with the railroad's facilities or operations.
- (c) When any of the Contractor's operations are carried on or within the Railroad Company's right of way and in the opinion of the Company's representative could endanger Company's facilities or create a hazard to the Company's operations.

PROTECTION OF UTILITIES (S1-26-0801)

Before the contractor begins his operations on the railroad right-of-way he shall confer with the official representatives of the State and the Railroad Company with regard to any underground or overhead utilities which may be on or in close proximity to the site of the work. The contractor shall take such measures as the State or Railroad Company may direct in protecting those utilities properly throughout the period his construction operations are in progress. The party or parties owning or operating overhead or underground utilities shall perform the actual work of moving, repairing, reconditioning or revising those utilities, except as otherwise provided in the contract. Whenever and wherever such operations are undertaken by owners of utilities, the contractor shall cooperate to the extent that ample protection of their work will be provided so that the entire work that is contemplated in the contract may be expedited to the best interests of all concerned, as judged by the engineer for the State.

The contractor shall be responsible for any and all damages to utilities that are permitted to remain in place, or to reconstructed utilities in the vicinity, which may be due either directly or indirectly to his operations, and shall repair promptly any such damaged property to the satisfaction of the engineer and the owner of the property, or shall make payment to such

owners for repairs as may become necessary on account of damages that are due to his operations.

Direct payment for this work will not be made but it shall be considered that the protection of the utilities is subsidiary to any or all of the items for which the contract provides that direct payment shall be made.

RAILROAD SPECIAL PROVISIONS

Before the contractor begins his operations on railroad right of way, he will contact the railroad at least 10 days in advance by telephone at 1-800-336-9193 (a 24-hour number) to determine if fiber optic cable is buried anywhere on the railroad property to be used by the contractor.

The railroad will advise the contractor if fiber optic cable exists at the location(s) being occupied and will dispatch a representative to locate, mark and protect each cable in the vicinity of the work to be performed by the contractor.

The railroad will need the Railroad Mile Post involved which is 35.44 on this project.

The contractor, for his own protection, should obtain and record the "Trouble Log Number" from the railroad for verification of the call made.

WRITTEN NOTICE TO RAILROAD COMPANY

The contractor shall give written notice to the Manager Track & Structures or to his authorized representative, at least ten days in advance of the date on which he expects to begin any work under or adjacent to any of the tracks of the Railroad Company or he expects to begin any construction work on the right of way of the Railroad Company. The contractor shall also give written notice to the Manager Track & Structures no later than ten days after completion of all work on the railroad company's right of way.

PROTECTION OF PROPERTY (S1-29-0801)

The contractor shall use the utmost care to guard against accidents or cause the least possible interference with the operation of trains of the Railroad Company and the telephone, telegraph or signal lines of the Railroad Company or of any tenant of the Railroad Company's right-of-way. The contractor shall use the utmost care in guarding against injury to underground and overhead public utilities and services at or near the site of the work.

All work to be done under this contract shall be handled by the contractor so as to interfere as little as is reasonably possible with the use of tracks, wires, signals and property of the Railroad Company or its tenants, and the underground or overhead services of public and private utilities, and the contractor shall be responsible for any damages which may be sustained by the Railroad Company, its tenants, employees, passengers or freight in its care, or by the owners of any public or private overhead or underground services caused by such interferences which could have been avoided by the proper handling of said work. The contractor shall discontinue immediately, upon request of the engineer, any practices or actions

which, in the opinion of the engineer, are unsafe or cause damage to underground or overhead services of public or private utilities, or which might result in delays to trains, engines or cars, or damage to tracks, roadbed, telephone, telegraph or signal wires.

The contractor shall take all precautions for the purposes of protecting the embankment of all railroad tracks as may be determined necessary by the authorized representative of the Railroad Company. The contractor agrees to affix the seal of a registered professional engineer licensed to practice in the State of Nebraska on all plans and calculations pertaining to details for sheeting or otherwise protecting excavations next to or adjacent to railroad tracks if necessary and noted on the State's plans. The contractor also shall take all precautions for the protection of underground and overhead services either public or private, as may be determined by the engineer.

PROTECTION OF PROPERTY

The contractor shall not place or permit to be placed, or remain, piles of material or other temporary obstructions closer than 12 feet (3.7 meters) to the nearest rail of any track or closer than 23 feet (7 meters) above the top of any rail except that the construction forms and scaffolding may be placed no closer than 12 feet (3.7 meters) from the centerline of any such track.

Any changes necessary in the clearance set forth above shall be made only by special arrangements with the Manager Track & Structures of the Company or his authorized representative.

The contractor agrees to affix the seal of a registered professional engineer licensed to practice in the State of Nebraska on all plans and calculations pertaining to details for sheeting or otherwise protecting excavations next to or adjacent to railroad tracks if necessary and noted on the State's plans.

RAILROAD CROSSINGS (S1-31-1201)

The Contractor shall use only public roadways or special crossings that are specifically shown on the plans to cross railroad tracks. If the Contractor should desire a temporary crossing for construction purposes at a location other than an existing public crossing, provisions for such crossing shall be negotiated with the railroad by the Contractor, and all costs for such crossing shall be borne by the Contractor.

Prospective bidders should familiarize themselves with railroad temporary crossing and insurance requirements before bidding on the work.

INSPECTION (S1-32-0801)

Subsection 105.09 in the Standard Specifications is amended to provide also that the work shall be subject to the inspection of the properly authorized representatives of the railroad and that such inspection shall in no sense make the railroad a party to this contract and will in no way interfere with the rights of either party hereunder.

INSURANCE (S1-33-1201)

The State shall require its Contractor or any of his subcontractors to carry regular Contractor's Public Liability and Property Damage Insurance as specified in Federal-Aid Policy Guide 23 CFR 646A providing for a limit of not less than Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000) for all damages arising out of bodily injuries to or death of one person, and subject to that limit for each person, a total limit of not less than Four Million Dollars (\$4,000,000) for all damages arising out of bodily injuries to or death of two or more persons in any one accident and providing for a limit of not less than Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000) for all damages to or destruction of property in any one accident and subject to that limit a total (or aggregate) limit of not less than Four Million Dollars (\$4,000,000) for all damages to or destruction of property during the policy period. A certified copy of the policy providing said Contractor's Public Liability and Property Damage Insurance executed by a corporation qualified to write the same in the State in which the work is to be performed, in form and substance satisfactory to the Railroad, shall be delivered to and approved by the Railroad prior to the entry upon or use of the Railroad's property by the Contractor.

In addition to any other forms of insurance or bonds required under the terms of the contract and the specifications, the Contractor shall furnish to the Railroad a Railroad Protective Policy in the form provided by Federal-Aid Policy Guide 23 CFR 646A. The combined single limit of said policy shall not be less than Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000) for all damages arising out of bodily injuries to or death of any person or persons and for all damages arising out of loss or destruction of or injury or damage to property in any one occurrence during the policy period; and subject to that limit, a total (or aggregate) limit of not less than Six Million Dollars (\$6,000,000) for all damages arising out of bodily injuries to or death of any person or persons and for all damages arising out of or loss or destruction of or injury or damage to property during the policy period. Said insurance policy executed by a corporation qualified to write the same in the State in which the work is to be performed shall be in form and substance satisfactory to the Railroad and shall be delivered to and approved by the Railroad prior to the entry upon or use of its property by the Contractor.

The above mentioned insurance shall be written in accordance with the Federal-Aid Policy Guide 23 CFR 646A issued by the Federal Highway Administration, which is hereby, through reference, made a part of these provisions.

The State shall require its Contractor or any of its subcontractors to carry a Business Automobile Insurance Policy or equivalent policy with minimum limits of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) for bodily injury and property damage per occurrence on all vehicles which the Contractor or subcontractors, their agents or employees may use at any time in connection with the performance of the work on this project. A certified copy of the policy providing said Business Automobile Insurance executed by a corporation qualified to write the same in the state in which the work is to be performed, in form and substance satisfactory to the companies, shall be delivered to and approved by the companies prior to the entry upon or use of the companies property by the Contractor.

The insurance as hereinbefore specified shall be carried by the Contractor and the Railroad covering all work performed on this project within the limits of the rights-of-way of the Railroad. Said insurance shall be carried until all work required under the terms of the contract is satisfactorily completed, as evidenced by formal acceptance by the State.

The State's Contractor shall cause triplicate originals of the policy or policies covering the Railroad Protective Liability Insurance specified above to be delivered to the State for delivery to the Railroad. The Contractor shall not enter upon or perform any work upon the property or the rights-of-way of the Railroad until the specified originals of the policy or policies have been delivered to and approved by the Railroad. The Contractor shall deliver one original policy of the above described Contractor's Property Damage Liability Insurance and one copy of the Business Automobile Insurance Policy to the State prior to the beginning of any work on the Railroad's right-of-way.

In addition to the above, the Contractor shall indemnify and hold the railroad(s) harmless against and from all cost, liability, and expense whatsoever (including the railroad attorney's fees and court costs and expenses) actually incurred arising out of or in any way contributed to by any negligent act or omission of the Contractor and its employees, for any damage to or destruction of any telecommunications system by the Contractor and its employees on the railroad's property.

RIGHT OF WAY (S1-34-0801)

The right of way and property which the public has, or will have, by ownership or easement, for the permanent construction and the prosecution of the construction operations, is indicated in the plans or will be defined upon request. Any additional ground, or working or storage space that the contractor may require for his operations, shall be provided by the contractor at his own expense.

RESTORATION OF RAILROAD COMPANY'S PROPERTY (S1-35-0801)

In the event the contractor shall in any manner move or disturb other property of the Railroad Company, in connection with the use of the said property, then, and in that event, the contractor shall, as soon as possible and at its sole expense, restore such property to the same condition as it was in before such property was moved or disturbed, and the contractor shall indemnify and save harmless the Railroad Company against and from any and all liability, loss, damages, claims, demands, costs and expenses of whatsoever nature, including court costs and attorneys' fees, which may result from injury to or death of persons whomsoever, or damage to or loss or destruction of property whatsoever, when such injury, death, damage, loss or destruction grows out of or arises from the taking down of any fence, or the moving or disturbance of any other property, of the Railroad Company.

FINAL CLEANING UP (S1-36-0801)

Subsection 104.08 in the Standard Specifications is amended to provide also that upon the completion of the work contemplated in this contract, the contractor shall remove all machinery, equipment, surplus materials, falsework, rubbish, ditches, and temporary building, furnished or erected by him from within the limits of the right of way of the Railroad Company and shall leave the said right of way in a neat condition satisfactory to the Chief Engineer of the Railroad Company, or his authorized representative.

PERCENTAGE OF COST OF WORK WITHIN RAILROAD RIGHT-OF-WAY

The following information is furnished to aid in the determination of a proper premium for the Railroad Protective Liability Insurance required elsewhere in these special provisions.

RAILROAD PROTECTIVE POLICY DATA SHEET

Railroad: Nebraska Central Railroad Company

Railroad Contact: Ken Sidlinger

Title: Vice President General Manager

Address: 400 Braasch Avenue, Suite B, Norfolk, NE 68701

Telephone Number: (402) 371-9015

Project Number: PM-D3(1015)

Project Location: District 3 – District-wide (Hwy. 32 in Madison County)

Type of Project: Preventative Maintenance – crack sealing

No. of trains/day: Total: 8

Freight or Coal: 8 Speed: 30 mph Passenger 0 Speed mph

No. of Tracks: Mainline 1 Branchline 0

Project Over RR: No X Yes Project Under Railroad: No X Yes

Railroad Shoo-fly Required: No X Yes

Project Parallel to RR: No X Yes If Yes, Number of Miles

Crossings on State Highway or City Street System: No Yes X

If Yes, Number of Crossings 1 @ 815318C

Pavement or Overlay up to Crossing on County or City Road:

No X Yes If Yes, Number of Crossings

Work to be done by Railroad None

It shall be the contractor's responsibility to contact the railroad for additional information needed to purchase the Railroad Protective Policy.

The percentage of work within railroad right of way that is within 50 feet (15.25 meters) of any railroad track shall be covered by railroad protective insurance. The railroad's ownership of right of way that extends beyond 50 feet (15.25 meters) from the closest track shall be covered under regular Contractor's Public liability and Property Damage Insurance in the amounts specified in this contract.

<u>Group</u>	<u>Approximate Percent of Work Within 50 feet (15.25 meters) of Nearest Track</u>	<u>Approximate Percent of Work on RR/ROW Not Within 50 feet (15.25 meters) of Nearest Track</u>	<u>Description of Work</u>
<u>All</u>	<u>0.1 %</u>	<u>0 %</u>	<u>--</u>

NEBRASKA NORTHEASTERN RAILWAY COMPANY

**REIMBURSEMENT TO RAILROAD COMPANY
FOR FLAGGING COSTS
(S1-24-0801)**

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The contractor, for his own protection, should obtain and record the "Trouble Log Number" from the railroad for verification of the call made.

WRITTEN NOTICE TO RAILROAD COMPANY

The contractor shall give written notice to the Manager or to his authorized representative, at least ten days in advance of the date on which he expects to begin any work under or adjacent to any of the tracks of the Railroad Company or he expects to begin any construction work on the right of way of the Railroad Company. The contractor shall also give written notice to the Manager no later than ten days after completion of all work on the railroad company's right of way.

PROTECTION OF PROPERTY (S1-29-0801)

The contractor shall use the utmost care to guard against accidents or cause the least possible interference with the operation of trains of the Railroad Company and the telephone, telegraph or signal lines of the Railroad Company or of any tenant of the Railroad Company's right-of-way. The contractor shall use the utmost care in guarding against injury to underground and overhead public utilities and services at or near the site of the work.

All work to be done under this contract shall be handled by the contractor so as to interfere as little as is reasonably possible with the use of tracks, wires, signals and property of the Railroad Company or its tenants, and the underground or overhead services of public and private utilities, and the contractor shall be responsible for any damages which may be sustained by the Railroad Company, its tenants, employees, passengers or freight in its care, or by the owners of any public or private overhead or underground services caused by such interferences which could have been avoided by the proper handling of said work. The contractor shall discontinue immediately, upon request of the engineer, any practices or actions which, in the opinion of the engineer, are unsafe or cause damage to underground or overhead services of public or private utilities, or which might result in delays to trains, engines or cars, or damage to tracks, roadbed, telephone, telegraph or signal wires.

The contractor shall take all precautions for the purposes of protecting the embankment of all railroad tracks as may be determined necessary by the authorized representative of the Railroad Company. The contractor agrees to affix the seal of a registered professional engineer licensed to practice in the State of Nebraska on all plans and calculations pertaining to details for sheeting or otherwise protecting excavations next to or adjacent to railroad tracks if necessary and noted on the State's plans. The contractor also shall take all precautions for the protection of underground and overhead services either public or private, as may be determined by the engineer.

PROTECTION OF PROPERTY

The contractor shall not place or permit to be placed, or remain, piles of material or other temporary obstructions closer than 12 feet (3.7 meters) to the nearest rail of any track or closer than 23 feet (7 meters) above the top of any rail except that the construction forms and scaffolding may be placed no closer than 12 feet (3.7 meters) from the centerline of any such track.

Any changes necessary in the clearance set forth above shall be made only by special arrangements with the Manager of the Company or his authorized representative.

The contractor agrees to affix the seal of a registered professional engineer licensed to practice in the State of Nebraska on all plans and calculations pertaining to details for sheeting or otherwise protecting excavations next to or adjacent to railroad tracks if necessary and noted on the State's plans.

RAILROAD CROSSINGS (S1-31-1201)

The Contractor shall use only public roadways or special crossings that are specifically shown on the plans to cross railroad tracks. If the Contractor should desire a temporary crossing for construction purposes at a location other than an existing public crossing, provisions for such crossing shall be negotiated with the railroad by the Contractor, and all costs for such crossing shall be borne by the Contractor.

Prospective bidders should familiarize themselves with railroad temporary crossing and insurance requirements before bidding on the work.

INSPECTION (S1-32-0801)

Subsection 105.09 in the Standard Specifications is amended to provide also that the work shall be subject to the inspection of the properly authorized representatives of the railroad and that such inspection shall in no sense make the railroad a party to this contract and will in no way interfere with the rights of either party hereunder.

INSURANCE (S1-33-1201)

The State shall require its Contractor or any of his subcontractors to carry regular Contractor's Public Liability and Property Damage Insurance as specified in Federal-Aid Policy Guide 23 CFR 646A providing for a limit of not less than Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000) for all damages arising out of bodily injuries to or death of one person, and subject to that limit for each person, a total limit of not less than Four Million Dollars (\$4,000,000) for all damages arising out of bodily injuries to or death of two or more persons in any one accident and providing for a limit of not less than Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000) for all damages to or destruction of property in any one accident and subject to that limit a total (or aggregate) limit of not less than Four Million Dollars (\$4,000,000) for all damages to or destruction of property during the policy period. A certified copy of the policy providing said Contractor's Public Liability and Property Damage Insurance executed by a corporation qualified to write the same in the State in which the work is to be performed, in form and substance satisfactory to the Railroad, shall be delivered to and approved by the Railroad prior to the entry upon or use of the Railroad's property by the Contractor.

In addition to any other forms of insurance or bonds required under the terms of the contract and the specifications, the Contractor shall furnish to the Railroad a Railroad Protective Policy in the form provided by Federal-Aid Policy Guide 23 CFR 646A. The combined single limit of said policy shall not be less than Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000) for all damages arising out of bodily injuries to or death of any person or persons and for all damages arising out of loss or destruction of or injury or damage to property in any one occurrence during the policy period;

and subject to that limit, a total (or aggregate) limit of not less than Six Million Dollars (\$6,000,000) for all damages arising out of bodily injuries to or death of any person or persons and for all damages arising out of or loss or destruction of or injury or damage to property during the policy period. Said insurance policy executed by a corporation qualified to write the same in the State in which the work is to be performed shall be in form and substance satisfactory to the Railroad and shall be delivered to and approved by the Railroad prior to the entry upon or use of its property by the Contractor.

The above mentioned insurance shall be written in accordance with the Federal-Aid Policy Guide 23 CFR 646A issued by the Federal Highway Administration, which is hereby, through reference, made a part of these provisions.

The State shall require its Contractor or any of its subcontractors to carry a Business Automobile Insurance Policy or equivalent policy with minimum limits of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) for bodily injury and property damage per occurrence on all vehicles which the Contractor or subcontractors, their agents or employees may use at any time in connection with the performance of the work on this project. A certified copy of the policy providing said Business Automobile Insurance executed by a corporation qualified to write the same in the state in which the work is to be performed, in form and substance satisfactory to the companies, shall be delivered to and approved by the companies prior to the entry upon or use of the companies property by the Contractor.

The insurance as hereinbefore specified shall be carried by the Contractor and the Railroad covering all work performed on this project within the limits of the rights-of-way of the Railroad. Said insurance shall be carried until all work required under the terms of the contract is satisfactorily completed, as evidenced by formal acceptance by the State.

The State's Contractor shall cause triplicate originals of the policy or policies covering the Railroad Protective Liability Insurance specified above to be delivered to the State for delivery to the Railroad. The Contractor shall not enter upon or perform any work upon the property or the rights-of-way of the Railroad until the specified originals of the policy or policies have been delivered to and approved by the Railroad. The Contractor shall deliver one original policy of the above described Contractor's Property Damage Liability Insurance and one copy of the Business Automobile Insurance Policy to the State prior to the beginning of any work on the Railroad's right-of-way.

In addition to the above, the Contractor shall indemnify and hold the railroad(s) harmless against and from all cost, liability, and expense whatsoever (including the railroad attorney's fees and court costs and expenses) actually incurred arising out of or in any way contributed to by any negligent act or omission of the Contractor and its employees, for any damage to or destruction of any telecommunications system by the Contractor and its employees on the railroad's property.

RIGHT OF WAY (S1-34-0801)

The right of way and property which the public has, or will have, by ownership or easement, for the permanent construction and the prosecution of the construction operations, is indicated in the plans or will be defined upon request. Any additional ground, or working or storage space that the contractor may require for his operations, shall be provided by the contractor at his own expense.

**RESTORATION OF RAILROAD COMPANY'S PROPERTY
(S1-35-0801)**

In the event the contractor shall in any manner move or disturb other property of the Railroad Company, in connection with the use of the said property, then, and in that event, the contractor shall, as soon as possible and at its sole expense, restore such property to the same condition as it was in before such property was moved or disturbed, and the contractor shall indemnify and save harmless the Railroad Company against and from any and all liability, loss, damages, claims, demands, costs and expenses of whatsoever nature, including court costs and attorneys' fees, which may result from injury to or death of persons whomsoever, or damage to or loss or destruction of property whatsoever, when such injury, death, damage, loss or destruction grows out of or arises from the taking down of any fence, or the moving or disturbance of any other property, of the Railroad Company.

**FINAL CLEANING UP
(S1-36-0801)**

Subsection 104.08 in the Standard Specifications is amended to provide also that upon the completion of the work contemplated in this contract, the contractor shall remove all machinery, equipment, surplus materials, falsework, rubbish, ditches, and temporary building, furnished or erected by him from within the limits of the right of way of the Railroad Company and shall leave the said right of way in a neat condition satisfactory to the Chief Engineer of the Railroad Company, or his authorized representative.

PERCENTAGE OF COST OF WORK WITHIN RAILROAD RIGHT-OF-WAY

The following information is furnished to aid in the determination of a proper premium for the Railroad Protective Liability Insurance required elsewhere in these special provisions.

RAILROAD PROTECTIVE POLICY DATA SHEET

Railroad: Nebraska Northeastern Railway Company

Railroad Contact: Lou Rohan

Title: Manager

Address: P.O. Box 26, Osmond, NE 68756

Telephone Number: (402) 748-3535

Project Number: PM-D3(1015)

Project Location: District 3 – District-wide (Hwy. 20 in Cedar County)

Type of Project: Preventative Maintenance – crack sealing

No. of trains/day: Total: 2

Freight or Coal: 2 Speed: 25 mph Passenger 0 Speed mph

No. of Tracks: Mainline 1 Branchline 0

Project Over RR: No X Yes Project Under Railroad: No X Yes

Railroad Shoo-fly Required: No X Yes

Project Parallel to RR: No X Yes If Yes, Number of Miles

Crossings on State Highway or City Street System: No Yes X

If Yes, Number of Crossings 1 @ 074597B

Pavement or Overlay up to Crossing on County or City Road:

No X Yes If Yes, Number of Crossings

Work to be done by Railroad None

It shall be the contractor's responsibility to contact the railroad for additional information needed to purchase the Railroad Protective Policy.

The percentage of work within railroad right of way that is within 50 feet (15.25 meters) of any railroad track shall be covered by railroad protective insurance. The railroad's ownership of right of way that extends beyond 50 feet (15.25 meters) from the closest track shall be covered under regular Contractor's Public liability and Property Damage Insurance in the amounts specified in this contract.

<u>Group</u>	<u>Approximate Percent of Work Within 50 feet (15.25 meters) of Nearest Track</u>	<u>Approximate Percent of Work on RR/ROW Not Within 50 feet (15.25 meters) of Nearest Track</u>	<u>Description of Work</u>
<u>All</u>	<u>0.1 %</u>	<u>0 %</u>	<u>--</u>

CONSTRUCTION DETAILS

TEMPORARY TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES (S4-9-1201)

Paragraphs 2.a. of Subsection 422.05 in the Standard Specifications is void and superseded by the following:

2.a. If signs are not returned or are returned damaged, and the damage is beyond reasonable "wear and tear" and the damage was caused by the Contractor, then the Contractor shall be charged the value of the missing or damaged items. These charges shall be deducted from monies due the Contractor upon final payment.

CRACK SEALING BITUMINOUS SURFACING

Subsection 519.02 in the 2001 Supplemental Specifications is void and superseded by the following:

519.02 – Material Requirements

1. The sealant shall be a mixture of paving grade asphalt, vulcanized recycled rubber and/or polymer modifier(s) that conform the following requirements and Specifications:
 - a. The sealant shall contain a minimum of 18% vulcanized recycled rubber by weight of asphaltic components. The sealant shall be a pre-reacted blend of product. The material shall not require additional heating time after it has reached the manufacturer's recommended application temperature. New material may be added to the material that has already been heated to proper application temperature. When heated in accordance with ASTM D-5167 to the safe heating temperature, the sealant shall meet the following test parameters:

TEST	SPECIFICATION
Cone Penetration @ 77 F (25 C) (ASTM D-5329)	45-70
Flow, 140 F (60 C) (ASTM D-5329)	5.0 mm max.
Resilience, 77 F (25 C) (ASTM D-5329)	25-60%
Bond, 0 F (-18 C), 100% extension (1/2" specimen) (ASTM D-5329)	Pass 5 cycles
Flexibility, - 29 F (-34 C), 1", 90 degrees, 10 sec. (ASTM D-3111, modified)	Pass
Asphalt Compatibility (ASTM D-5329)	Pass

- b. Sampling and heating shall be in accordance with ASTM D-5078 and ASTM D-5167.
- c. The vulcanized recycled ground rubber shall be free of wire, fabric, or other contaminating materials. The gradation shall be 95-100% passing the #10 sieve, 35-55% passing the #20 sieve, and 0-25% passing the #40 sieve.
- d. Acceptance of the manufactured material will be based on a certificate of compliance for each lot or batch furnished by the supplier. The certificate of compliance shall state the type of rubber used, the lot number and a copy of the test results for the lot. The date of manufacture must also be shown on the certificate. This information must be submitted to the Department's Materials and Research Division, Bituminous Laboratory prior to the usage of material.
- e. One sample per lot of material shall be sent to the Nebraska Department of Roads' Materials and Research Division for specification compliance testing. If the sealant sample test results do not conform to Specifications, the Contractor shall be assessed the costs for testing and shall be required to provide acceptable sealant for the project including additional samples for retesting.
- f. The use of metal staples or fasteners of any kind is prohibited for closing the lids of the container. Tape or other like materials will be accepted.
- g. Each container shall include information regarding lot number, type of product, safe heating temperature, and recommended pouring temperature of the crack sealing material.

JOINT SEALING – ASPHALT TO CONCRETE

Subsection 508.02 in the 1997 Standard Specifications English Edition is void and superseded by the following:

519.02 – Material Requirements

1. The sealant shall be a mixture of paving grade asphalt, vulcanized recycled rubber and/or polymer modifier(s) that conform the following requirements and Specifications:
 - a. The sealant shall contain a minimum of 18% vulcanized recycled rubber by weight of asphaltic components. The sealant shall be a pre-reacted blend of product. The material shall not require additional heating time after it has reached the manufacturer's recommended application temperature. New material may be added to the material that has already been heated to proper application temperature. When heated in accordance with ASTM D-5167 to the safe heating temperature, the sealant shall meet the following test parameters:

TEST	SPECIFICATION
Cone Penetration @ 77 F (25 C) (ASTM D-5329)	45-70
Flow, 140 F (60 C) (ASTM D-5329)	5.0 mm max.
Resilience, 77 F (25 C) (ASTM D-5329)	25-60%
Bond, 0 F (-18 C), 100% extension (1/2" specimen) (ASTM D-5329)	Pass 5 cycles
Flexibility, - 29 F (-34 C), 1", 90 degrees, 10 sec. (ASTM D-3111, modified)	Pass
Asphalt Compatibility (ASTM D-5329)	Pass

- b. Sampling and heating shall be in accordance with ASTM D-5078 and ASTM D-5167.
- c. The vulcanized recycled ground rubber shall be free of wire, fabric, or other contaminating materials. The gradation shall be 95-100% passing the #10 sieve, 35-55% passing the #20 sieve, and 0-25% passing the #40 sieve.
- d. Acceptance of the manufactured material will be based on a certificate of compliance for each lot or batch furnished by the supplier. The certificate of compliance shall state the type of rubber used, the lot number and a copy of the test results for the lot. The date of manufacture must also be shown on the certificate. This information must be submitted to the Department's Materials and Research Division, Bituminous Laboratory prior to the usage of material.
- e. One sample per lot of material shall be sent to the Nebraska Department of Roads' Materials and Research Division for specification compliance testing. If the sealant sample test results do not conform to

Specifications, the Contractor shall be assessed the costs for testing and shall be required to provide acceptable sealant for the project including additional samples for retesting.

- f. The use of metal staples or fasteners of any kind is prohibited for closing the lids of the container. Tape or other like materials will be accepted.
- g. Each container shall include information regarding lot number, type of product, safe heating temperature, and recommended pouring temperature of the crack sealing material.

SEALING TRANSVERSE AND LONGITUDINAL CRACKS (S6-17-0801)

The first sentence of Paragraph 1. a. of Subsection 611.03 in the 2001 Supplemental Specifications is void and superseded by the following:

Transverse and longitudinal cracks from 1/4 inch to 1/2 inch (6 mm to 12.5 mm) in width shall be prepared with a crack reservoir of a nominal 1/2 inch (12.5 mm) in width at the surface of the pavement and to a depth of at least 5/8 inch (16 mm).

The last sentence of Paragraph 1. b. of Subsection 611.03 is void and superseded by the following:

The backer rod shall be of such diameter to be seated properly that will allow for a depth of approximately 1/2 inch to 1 inch (12.5 mm to 25 mm) of crack sealing filler.

Paragraphs 2. d. and 2. e. of Subsection 611.03 are void and superseded by the following:

- d. When proper pouring consistency is attained, the cracks shall be filled to 1/8 inch (3 mm) below the pavement surface through the use of a pressure type applicator approved by the Engineer, and equipped with a nozzle which will fit into the joints.
- e. Material spilled on surfaces of the pavement adjacent to the crack shall be cleaned away by the Contractor at no additional cost to the Department.

Subsection 611.04 is void and superseded by the following:

Sealing transverse and longitudinal cracks will be measured for payment by the linear foot (meter) of transverse and longitudinal cracks sealed, measured to the nearest foot (meter) of sealed cracks, complete, in place and accepted by the Engineer.

**PROPOSAL GUARANTY
(S1-38-0801)**

As an evidence of good faith in submitting a proposal for this work or for any portion thereof as provided in the proposal form, the bidder must file with his proposal a bid bond, which must be executed on the Department of Roads' Bid Bond form, in the amount of 5 percent of the amount bid for any group of items or collection of groups for which the bid is submitted. Any alterations, conditions or limitations added to the Department of Roads' Bid Bond form will be unacceptable and cause the bid not to be opened and read.

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