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Addendum No. 02

File Reference Number: RFQ 2026 082

Title: Supply and Delivery of Railway Ties

RE: Clarifications/Questions

CLARIFICATIONS:

Item 1: The RFQ states that delivery locations will be identified on individual purchase orders, while quoted prices must include delivery costs. Would ONTC provide the anticipated delivery locations and estimated quantities per location for pricing purposes? Please also confirm whether delivery by truck, rail, or either method is acceptable, and which party will provide the equipment and labour for unloading.

Answer: ONTC advises that proponents shall base their pricing on delivery to 200 Lagoon Road, Englehart, ON. Where ONTC requires delivery to an alternate location between Hearst and Washago along Highway 11, any resulting adjustment to transportation costs may be mutually agreed upon between ONTC and the successful Vendor and documented through a Change Order. ONTC will provide the equipment and labour unloading.

ONTC is unable to provide anticipated quantities by delivery location. Delivery locations and quantities will be identified on individual purchase orders based on operational requirements. Quantities identified in the RFQ are estimates only and do not represent guaranteed purchase volumes.

The mode of transportation is not prescribed. Respondents shall provide and coordinate transportation suitable for the applicable delivery location and in accordance with the requirements of the RFQ. Delivery arrangements, including unloading coordination requirements, will be coordinated between ONTC and the successful Vendor at the time of order placement.

Item 2: Would ONTC accept our proposed manufacturer's/subcontractor's relevant railway tie supply experience and three comparable customer references instead of the bidder's own references? The respondent would remain fully responsible for contract performance, including product compliance, quality, and delivery.

Answer: Where a respondent proposes to rely upon the experience, resources, capabilities, facilities, manufacturing expertise, or project references of a subcontractor, manufacturer, fabricator, or other third party in the performance of the Contract, the respondent shall clearly identify that party and describe its role in the supply of the Deliverables. ONTC will evaluate the information submitted in accordance with the requirements and evaluation criteria of the RFQ, including the information provided regarding subcontractors and manufacturing sources. The

respondent remains fully responsible for performance of the Contract, including compliance with all specifications, quality requirements, delivery obligations and warranty commitments. Submission of third-party experience or references does not guarantee any particular evaluation score.

Item 3: Would ONTC confirm that the quantities labelled “Estimated FY2028 Requirements” relate to the initial supply period under the agreement, with the base quantities required by June 30, 2027.

For quantities above the base requirements, when does ONTC anticipate confirming funding and releasing orders? Would these additional quantities also be required by June 30, 2027, or would delivery dates be agreed based on the order date and production lead time?

Answer: ONTC confirms that quantities above the base requirements can be expected to be required July 30, 2027. ONTC will confirm once budget has been approved.

Item 4: Would ONTC clarify whether the stated ½-inch wane allowance refers to width, depth, or both.

Answer: ONTC advises that the stated 1/2-inch wane allowance refers to both width and depth.

Item 5: Please confirm whether respondents must quote all ten tie lengths or may submit quotations for selected lengths. If partial quotations are permitted, please explain how they would be evaluated and whether ONTC may award to more than one supplier.

Answer: ONTC intends to award a single Agreement to the top-ranked Respondent. Respondents are required to submit pricing for all items identified in Appendix E - Schedule of Prices, including the mandatory Schedule B items. Accordingly, ONTC does not intend to make multiple awards by item or category, and quotations that do not include pricing for all required items may be deemed non-compliant.

This Addendum hereby forms part of the RFQ.

Regards,

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