

## **1. CONTRACT INFORMATION DOCUMENTS**

- .1 Contract Information Documents listed in clause 4.1 are incorporated into the Contract.
- .2 The Bidder is entitled to rely upon the factual information or factual data contained in Contract Information Documents, or parts thereof, which have been obtained principally for the purposes of study and design and are believed to be correct, within normal limits inherent in gathering such information and data, but the Bidder shall draw its own conclusions from such factual information or factual data and shall not rely on opinions or interpretations contained therein.
- .3 Contract Information Documents shall not be considered a representation or warranty that information contained therein is complete or appropriate for construction.
- .4 Information contained in Contract Information Documents may be time sensitive and dates and times shall be considered when interpreting such information.
- .5 The Bidder is encouraged to obtain specialist advice with respect to Contract Information Documents. The Minister assumes no responsibility for such interpretations and conclusions.
- .6 Some information included as Contract Information Documents, such as historical records, weather data, etc., have been prepared by persons other than the Minister. Use of any Contract Information Document shall be only for the purpose of the construction contract with which it is provided.

## **2. INFORMATION PREPARED FOR THE MINISTER**

- .1 When reading the Contract Information Documents consider the following in planning and implementing construction methods and procedures. Field investigations, laboratory testing, classifying and logging, are performed principally for the purposes of study and design. Unless otherwise noted, information prepared by, or for, the Minister is prepared in accordance with generally accepted professional practices with consideration for the type of information needed, current practices, the location of the work, and the date and time, etc. when the information is prepared.
- .2 Soils and Bedrock Information
  - .1 Investigations are carried out for the purpose intended at the time of the investigation. Samples of soils and bedrock are recovered from drillholes, test pits, or other exploration methods. Samples are identified and classified and the data recorded. Samples taken may not be continuous and extrapolation may be used to complete the information. The data are true only for the sample and its unique location. Classification of soils and bedrock is subjective and is based on observations and laboratory testing.
  - .2 Classification of soils follows the Modified Unified Soil Classification system, unless noted otherwise. Classification of bedrock follows normally accepted geologic practice.

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- .3 The nature and thickness of the material between adjacent soils or bedrock zones may be a blend of the classified materials. Consequently, the location of the horizon between one zone and another may vary between excavations, or with logs prepared by another person. Different exploration methods may also give variations in the information. The foregoing is also true for bedrock investigations and logging.
  - .4 Stratigraphic drawings show extrapolation of testhole information between testhole locations. The extrapolations are subject to the variations associated with them therefore, actual conditions may differ from that shown on stratigraphic drawings.
  - .5 Soils and bedrock properties can change rapidly after exposure to elements such as air, frost, and moisture. Soils and bedrock properties can change with changes in moisture content, which may vary over time. Recorded conditions may vary after the date of investigation.
- .3 Laboratory Testing
    - .1 Laboratory testing used for classifying soils and bedrock follows industry standards, unless otherwise noted. Recorded test results show some, but not necessarily all, properties of the soils or bedrock material. The sample tested may contain some, but not necessarily all, of the properties of the soils or bedrock adjacent to the location from which the sample was taken.
  - .4 Groundwater Information
    - .1 Groundwater elevations and other groundwater information are based on observations made at the time of the investigations. Daily and seasonal fluctuations may occur due to climatic and other effects. Variations between testing locations may exist due to meteorological conditions, reservoir, lake, and river conditions.
  - .5 Construction Activity
    - .1 Construction activity can alter the in situ ground conditions. The influence of all construction activities on the geologic environment should be considered.

### **3. OTHER INFORMATION DOCUMENTS**

- .1 Other Information Documents means information documents not listed in clause 4.1 herein, and are not part of the Contract Documents.
- .2 The Bidder is not entitled to rely upon the factual information or factual data in any Other Information Documents, nor any opinions or interpretations contained therein. Other Information Documents shall not be considered accurate, complete, or appropriate.
- .3 Other Information Documents are made available to the Bidder for the purpose of providing the Bidder with access to the information available to the Minister.

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#### 4. LIST OF CONTRACT INFORMATION DOCUMENTS

.1 Contract Information Documents comprise the following:

.1 [Documents appended to this section.]

**OR**

.2 [Volume [2] of [2] of the Bid Documents]

.3 [Geotechnical Report] [ ] entitled [ ], dated [ ], prepared by [ ] and consisting of [ ].

[This Document is hereby incorporated into the Contract Documents in its entirety.]

**OR**

[The following parts[s] of this Document [is] [are] hereby incorporated into the Contract Documents: [ ].]

**AND**

[This document is issued with the Bid Documents.]

**OR**

[This document, not issued with the Bid Documents, may be examined at the location specified in clause 6.1.]

#### 5. [LIST OF OTHER INFORMATION DOCUMENTS]

.1 Other Information Documents comprise the following:

.1 [Report] [ ] entitled [ ], dated [ ], prepared by [ ] and consisting of [ ].

[This document may be examined at the location specified in clause 6.1.]

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**6. [ACCESS TO INFORMATION DOCUMENTS]**

- .1 Contract Information Documents [and Other Information Documents] not issued to Bidders with the Bid Documents are available for examination at:

[Location and address]

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- .2 Bidders may examine the above documents during normal business hours, **[insert hours]** daily.

- .3 For an appointment to examine the documents contact:

[Name and telephone number]

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- .4 Direct all inquiries by e-mail to the person identified on the cover page of the tender. When submitting inquiries, identify the tender number in e-mail subject line.

**END OF SECTION**