



Alabama State Port Authority
Addendum 8 - Date: 8/24/2020
Replacement of Rail Car Dump #2 and the Take-Away System
Bid Opening Date: 8/26/2020 at 10:00am

Subject: Seventh Round of Q&A / Receipt of Addendums

- 1. During the bid meeting it was mentioned that train holding clamps should be provided, not wheel chocks as are currently installed. The specification is not specific in this regard and this point was not clarified in any of the addendums. Would you please clarify any limitations on the train holding device?**

Answer: The Bidder shall clearly identify in their Proposal the type of Train Holding System they propose. As discussed in Pre-bid meeting the wheel chock system is not an acceptable option. The Train Holding System shall satisfy all requirements as outlined in the RCD Specification SPE-001-0. A summary of some of the key design features include:

1. Refer to the conditions as defined in Para 5.2.3 "Wheel Locks" with a focus on sub paragraphs "b", "c", & "d" regarding its design capacity.
2. Unit train make-up is defined in Para. 3.5.1 "Unit Train"
3. Rail loop survey data has been provided in Addendum 3 Dated 7/27/2020
4. Refer to Para 2.1.4 Wheel Lock System sub paragraph "b." the need for wheel location sensors

Further clarifications:

5. The holding equipment shall be positioned for easy maintenance and access, and the actuator mechanism shall be unobtrusive
6. The holding equipment shall not be used to decelerate trains
7. The holding equipment shall be designed to cope with nominal variations in coal railcar position and wheel wear

- 2. Is the bid opening still scheduled for Wednesday and are we allowed to attend?**

Answer: Yes, the opening is still scheduled for Wednesday and we will allow one person from each company submitting a bid to attend.

- 3. ASPA Comment:** If you plan to submit a bid please fill out and sign Page 2 "Receipt of Addendums" and email it to dsims@asdd.com. This must be received before the bid opening.

Regards,

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Receipt of Addendums:

I hereby acknowledge receipt of the following addendums.

- Addendum 1
- Addendum 2
- Addendum 3
- Addendum 4
- Addendum 5
- Addendum 6
- Addendum 7
- Addendum 8

Company Name: _____

Authorized Signature: _____

Date: _____

Print Name: _____