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April 8, 2008
Subject: **Dynamic Message Signs**
Project No. ITS-1244(802) X
Pin No. 012448.02
Amendment No. 3

Dear Sir/Ms:

Please make the following change to the Bid Documents.

In the Bid Book, within: "Special Provision, Section 652-Dynamic Message Sign" (eighteen pages total, beginning on page 22 of the book), under: "Required Submittals" in subsection: "a. With the bid" DELETE in its entirety note 1. (page 2 of 18) that begins: "Dunn & Bradstreet's "Comprehensive Insight Plus" report on the...". Make this change in pen and ink.

The following questions have been received:

Question: Will a center to center pixel distance of 2.75" be allowed?

Response: Yes.

Question: All external surfaces except the front are to be painted white. The intent is to keep the interior of the sign housing cooler. Our energy efficient and light weight design does not have an interior. Will a black backside surface be acceptable? Black or white will have no impact on the proper operation of our proposed DMS. With out design, the same aluminum support is the front and back of the sign at the same time.

Response: Bid a price that permits compliance with the specification. Black paint may be allowed on the basis of shop drawings but not on the basis of the claims made in the RFI.

Question: Will alternate manufacturing designs with a thinner clear front face and a silk screen mask be acceptable? These modules meet every intent of the specification. Our enhanced design differs in some aspects from the specifications as stated.



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Response: No. MaineDOT wants the rigidity provided by a 3/16 thickness and the heat dissipation provided by aluminum.

Question: We have found that modem manufacturers continue to enhance their products. External modems are simpler to debug, maintain and can be rapidly replaced in the field if needed. Will an external modem be acceptable?

Response: Yes.

Question: Will audited financial statements be considered equivalent to a Dunn & Bradstreet Comprehensive Insight Plus report? This report is not available for Canadian Corporations. Would all financial information be kept private and confidential? We are a private corporation and do not wish to have this information available to the public.

Response: Please see change made earlier in this amendment. (Note: As a reminder to all planholders, a successful bidder will need to be pre-qualified prior to bid award.)

Please consider this information prior to submitting your bid on **April 9, 2008**.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "S. Bickford" with a stylized flourish at the end.

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