Jeffrey Neal

From: Jones, Jackie (KYTC) [Jackie.Jones@ky.gov]

Sent: Friday, March 16, 2012 3:39 PM

To: Jeffrey Neal

Cc: Ron Herrington; Jim Woods; Stansel, Rick (KYTC); Turner, Randy (KYTC-D07)

Subject: Fiber Optic CMAQ Project - PO2-628-0900022383-Notice to Proceed with Award

The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet, Office of Local Programs (OLP) has received and reviewed the competitive bid documents submitted for the subject Project. Based on documents as submitted, we approve the award.

Please continue to adhere to the provisions of the Interim Federal-Aid Highway Program Project Development Guide for Local Public Agencies. Failure to follow these provisions can adversely affect your project. All changes and alterations to your project must be submitted to this office prior to construction or purchasing for review and compliance with State and Federal Regulations.

We look forward to working with you to move this project forward. If you have any questions, please contact me at (502) 564-2060.

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From: Jeffrey Neal

Sent: Friday, March 16, 2012 12:18 PM

To: 'Jones, Jackie (KYTC)'

Cc: Ron Herrington; Jim Woods; Stansel, Rick (KYTC); Turner, Randy (KYTC-D07)

Subject: RE: CMAQ Project (Fiber Optic) - PO2-628-0900022383

Jackie,

The engineer's estimate (which I did) was overly optimistic for these corridors. Several contractors showed interest in the project but must have not bid it because of there not being a 'rock clause'. I believe the two, local contractors that did bid on the project tried to account for anticipated rock by boosting their per foot bids. Traffic control especially along North Broadway was not accounted for in my estimate either.

Although not originally planned, we'd like to proceed with having the low bid contractor install the pathways for all the fiber using the \$386,229. This is something we can't do with our equipment and staffing. Our staff will then come back in and install the fiber optic cable, modems, splices, etc. We currently have enough fiber on-hand to do this but we'll need to purchase connector material/devices with funds remaining for this project. We will be able to tap into some local bond money for anything else needed to make all the corridors function as intended.

Just let me know if any more explanation or work plan is needed.

Thanks,
Jeff Neal
LFUCG Division of Traffic Engineering

From: Jones, Jackie (KYTC) [mailto:Jackie.Jones@ky.gov]

Sent: Friday, March 16, 2012 11:25 AM

To: Jeffrey Neal

Cc: Ron Herrington; Jim Woods; Stansel, Rick (KYTC); Turner, Randy (KYTC-D07)

Subject: RE: CMAQ Project (Fiber Optic) - PO2-628-0900022383

Jeff,

We have concerns about the fact that the low bid was 45% higher than the engineer's estimate and if approved, the scope of work from the project contract with our office would be greatly diminished. However, the engineer's estimate and low bid have been exposed, and we are unsure even if this is rebid that LFUCG can get a better bid.

If LFUCG uses \$386,229.25 for this component of the project, it only leaves \$13,770.75 remaining for the other items in our contract or any contingencies.

If you determine this situation is acceptable, then we will proceed with issuing the Notice to Proceed with Construction. That being said, please keep in mind, that the CMAQ funding allocated for this project is only \$400,000. We do not add funding to our projects for overages accrued by the project sponsor. Anything over the amount awarded would be the responsibility of LFUCG.

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From: Jeffrey Neal [mailto:jneal@lexingtonky.gov]

Sent: Thursday, March 15, 2012 10:48 AM **To:** Jones, Jackie (KYTC)

Cc: Ron Herrington; Jim Woods; Stansel, Rick (KYTC); Turner, Randy (KYTC-D07)

Subject: RE: CMAQ Project (Fiber Optic) - PO2-628-0900022383

Hello Jackie,

I'm getting very concerned about our contractor being able to complete the project within the time we have left. LFUCG Purchasing also requires the Council approve awarding of contracts too which adds more time to the process.

Please reply or call at your earliest convenience so we'll known to proceed, provide additional information, or abandon the project.

Thanks, Jeff