All interested parties had the opportunity to submit questions in writing by email to Tina Eide, Senior Buyer. The answers to the questions received are provided below and posted to the City's website at www.TacomaPurchasing.org: Navigate to Current Contracting Opportunities / Public Works and Improvements Solicitations, and then click Questions and Answers for this Specification. This information IS NOT considered an addendum. Respondents should consider this information when submitting their proposals.

**Question 1:** I noticed in Appendix G that there is partial funding from the DOE for this project. But I didn’t see the AIS (American Iron & Steel) requirement in the funding specifications insert that you would typically see for an DOE funded project. Does this project have the AIS requirement?

**Answer 1:** The AIS requirement is not applicable for this project.

**Question 2:** I think you are missing the bid item for the Ex SDMH#5 manhole vent installation?

**Answer 2:** It’s there, page 7 of the bid proposal, S91.

**Question 3:** Spec section 7-17.2 calls for the steel pipe & fittings linings & coatings to be the same as specified for the adjacent pipe. I see a call out for the cement mortar lining. But I don’t see any call out for the exterior coating. I see that the pipe needs to be grouted between the exterior of the steel pipe and inside diameter of the existing cement pipe. But will there be a exterior coating required for the steel pipe other than the grout called out in the detail?

**Answer 3:** The steel pipe shall not need an exterior coating. However, an interior coating shall still be applied per the specifications.