

INVITATION TO TENDER "ITT" NO. PS20130871 BLOEDEL CONSERVATORY ROOF PANEL REPAIRS

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS NO.1

ISSUED ON November 12, 2013

On page 9, section 08800 Glazing-Division 8- doors and Window specification RJC call up two types of glazing panels; GI -Acrylic and Glazing type G2 -copolyester. The Plexiglas panel schedule detailed on Drawing R-4-1 indicates that all panel types will be acrylic (i.e. glazing type G1) except for panel B24 which is one specific panel and will be Glazing type G2-copolyester. This is also referred to on drawing R-2.1 as the "test panel."

Please clarify why the test panel material is different than all other panels, it makes no sense then to be a test panel. Also, in my discussion with RJC and your Project Manager John Ross earlier in the year it was our understanding that that the first 4 rings at the top of the dome would use glazing type G2 copolyester material I (much stronger than acrylic), and the other panels forming the key down the slope would use G1 glazing- type- Acrylic. This is an important issues since copolyester material has a 5 to 6 week lead time to get into shop.

The requirement for co-polyester panels is deleted.

Following our research on the different materials, we discovered that the Mustang Acrylic (co-polyester) had a higher impact rating but a lower overall strength. The Mustang material was not strong enough to resist the calculated stresses. Furthermore, the manufacturer could not provide any reliable data on longevity and UV resistance.

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We decided to maintain the status quo and replace panels with Blown Plexiglass.

We discussed a ring of mustang panels with test coupon. This was to get some data on the degradation characteristics that was not available from the manufacturer. It was changed from a ring to a one panel test area. We have since decided to eliminate the test panel.

The following vendors attended the mandatory site visit and are eligible to submit a bid for PS20130871 - Bloedel Conservatory Roof Panel Repairs (see attached sign in sheet)

CLOSING: November 19, 2013

MANDATORY INFORMATION MEETING - November 6, 2013 at 1:00 pm 4600 Cambie Street - Queen Elizabeth Park

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