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Knik Arm Bridge and Toll Authority receives six SOQ proposals from international consortiums

KABATA will evaluate proposals to advance three qualified firms to formal RFQ process.

Anchorage—The Knik Arm Bridge and Toll Authority (KABATA) received six Statements of Qualification (SOQ) by the submittal deadline of 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 21, 2011. These SOQ's were submitted from national and international development groups and included firms from Europe, Australia, Asia, and North America. Each development group is hoping to earn an opportunity to become the private partner that finances, designs, builds, operates and maintains the Knik Arm Crossing.

“We are pleased to attract interest from developers that span the globe. These development groups or consortiums cover all aspects of the project—and include equity investors, engineering firms, construction companies, maintenance organizations, and concessionaires. This sends the message that Alaska is open for business.” Said Michael Foster, KABATA Board Chair.

The Statement of Qualifications will be evaluated, scored and ranked. The top three development teams will be “short listed”, which will allow them the opportunity to respond to the formal Request for Proposals (RFP) which is planned for release in early 2012.

“The detailed RFP process will result in firm commitments and will require a significant investment of time and resources by the competing firms.” Said KABATA Executive Director Andrew Niemiec. He continued, “By creating a short list of the most qualified teams, we can create the right balance between the investment that the developer makes in creating the proposal and the public’s interest in a healthy competition. “

KABATA expects to announce the results of the SOQ evaluation around October 24, 2012. The successful developer, in the subsequent RFP proposal process, could begin construction as early as 2013.

The Knik Arm Crossing will create a second route from Anchorage, Alaska’s most populous city to the Matanuska-Susitna Valley, the State’s fastest growing region. Construction is expected to create thousands of jobs and spur economic development in the immediate area, resulting in 14,000 additional permanent jobs. The crossing will lower transportation costs to Alaska’s Interior, saving fuel and reducing greenhouse emissions.

A full list of consortiums submitting SOQ’s is attached to this press release.

Full List of Consortiums Submitting Statement of Qualifications for Knik Arm Crossing
September 21, 2011

Knik Bridge Partners

Bechtel Enterprises Holdings
CSEC Holding Company, Inc.
China State Construction International Holdings, Ltd
Bechtel Infrastructure Corporation
CCA Civil, Inc.
Finley Civil Engineering Group, Inc.
Hanson Alaska LLC
Roy Jorgenson Associates, Inc.
BNP Paribas

Cook Inlet Passage Partners

Meridiam USA III, LLC
Meridiam Infrastructure North America Corporation
Meridiam Infrastructure North America Fund II AIV, LP
Meridiam Infrastructure North America Fund II, LP
Meridiam Infrastructure North America Fund II (Domestic), LP
Kiewit Development Company
Kiewit Infrastructure West Co.
Manson Construction Co.
VMS Inc. dba Transfield Services North America, Transportation Infrastructure
Parsons Transportation Group Inc.
Golder Associates Inc.
Dowl HKM
Dan Brown and Associates, PLLC
BMT Fleet Technologies
KPMG Corporate Finance LLC

Plenary Roads Alaska

Plenary Group USA Ltd.
John Laing Investments Limited
PCL Civil Constructors, Inc.
Granite Construction Company
H.W. Lochner, Inc.
MMM Group Limited
Michael Baker, Jr., Inc.
T.Y. Lin International
Shaw Environmental, Inc.
Goldman, Sachs & Co.
Deutsche Bank AG

Alaska Infrastructure Access Partners

Infrared Capital Partners Limited

Bouygues TP
Colaska Inc. dba QAP
Weeks Marine, Inc.
URS Alaska, LLC
Moffatt & Nichol, Inc.
USKH, Inc.
R&M Consultants, Inc.
Macquarie Capital (USA) Inc.

Cintra Infraestructuras S.A.

Cintra Infraestructuras S.A.
Ferrovial Agroman S.A.
Orion Marine Contractors, Inc.
Anchor QEA, LLC

North Star Mobility Group

HOCHTIEF PPP Solutions North America, Inc.
HOCHTIEF Aktiengesellschaft
ACS Infrastructure Development, Inc.
ACS Servicios y Concesiones, S.L.
Iridium Concesiones de Infraestructuras, S.A.
Flatiron Constructors, Inc.
Dragados USA, Inc.
Dragados SA
Traylor Bros., Inc.
HNTB Corporation
CH2M Hill Engineers, Inc.
Alaska Interstate Construction LLC
Arcadis
Kodiak Map
Hart Crowser
Earth Mechanics
Bittner-Shen
Denali Drilling
Gregg Drilling

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