

## ANNOUNCEMENT: BDC22S-19

DATE: December 28, 2022

SUBJECT:

Materials Payments and Storage
Revision to the 2019 Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction, Subsection 109.06

Subsection 109.06 of the 2019 Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction has been revised in order to allow the Contractor to purchase and store materials ahead of schedule which will alleviate extra costs and prevent delays due to supply chain issues.

The following revisions have been incorporated into the 2019 Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction via the 2019 Standard Inputs, SI2019:

## **109.06 MATERIALS PAYMENTS AND STORAGE** THE SUBSECTION IS CHANGED TO:

The Contractor may request payment for the cost of materials, including the storage cost, not incorporated into the Work. If approved by the RE, the Department will make payment for the cost of materials, including storage costs if such payment exceeds \$25,000.00; however, the amount of payment may not exceed 85 percent of the bid price for the associated Item. The Department may also direct the Contractor to purchase materials ahead of schedule for this

purpose. The Department will not make payment for such materials until the RE is satisfied that:

- 1. The Contractor has properly stored and protected materials within the Project Limits or at locations owned or leased by the Contractor or the Department within the State, except that the Contractor may store structural steel outside the State with the prior approval of the Department. Provide and comply with manufacturers', suppliers', and fabricators' storing and handling recommendations for each material, as specified in 108.04.
- 2. The ME has inspected the materials and they appear to be acceptable based upon available supplier's certification and materials test reports.
- 3. The Contractor has provided the RE with the paid invoice or paid bill of sale for the materials and a fully executed Release of Liens for Materials Stored for Incorporation in Department of Transportation Project Form, including the transfer of ownership to the Department.
- 4. For material stored on property not belonging to the Department, the material is stored in a fenced area with access limited to the Department and the Contractor. Additionally, the Contractor has posted a sign at the location clearly identifying, and printed in large letters, that the materials are without encumbrances and are to be solely used for the Project.
- 5. When materials are stored in a leased area, the lease is made out to the Contractor and provides that it shall be canceled only with the written permission of the Department. Submit a copy of the lease to the RE.

Payment for materials does not constitute Department approval or Acceptance of the materials or work. If materials paid for are damaged, stolen, or prove to be unacceptable, the Department has the right to recover the costs from the Contractor. Stored materials are not to be removed from storage except for incorporation into the project. The Department will not make payment for plant materials until they are planted or installed.

## Implementation Code R (ROUTINE)

Changes must be implemented in all applicable Department projects scheduled for Final Design Submission at least one month after the date of the BDC announcement. This will allow designers to make necessary plan, specifications, and estimate/proposal changes without requiring the need for addenda or postponement of advertisement or receipt of bids.

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