REQUEST FOR LETTER OF INTEREST MAINE TURNPIKE AUTHORITY CONSULTANT CONTRACT 2012.106

STORMWATER MANAGEMENT AND COMPLIANCE ASSISTANCE SERVICES

The Maine Turnpike Authority (Authority) hereby solicits Letters of Interest from firms interested in providing professional services related to permitting, planning, operations, maintenance and other miscellaneous tasks to assist the Authority in complying with federal and state stormwater requirements.

This Request for a Letter of Interest will be sent to thirty-four (34) consulting firms. The firms were selected to receive this letter based on their prequalification status as of July 27, 2012 by MaineDOT for the service area 506.00 – Surface Water Quality, Post Construction Storm Water Management. Letters will be accepted from selected Consultants that the Authority has determined are the most likely to be qualified and capable to perform the work. All other Letters may be rejected. In order to be considered responsive, three (3) copies of the Letters must be submitted. Letters need to be limited to 2 pages, size 12 point font. One sheet of paper consists of one page single-sided or two pages double-sided. All Letters shall utilize recycled paper and print on both sides, if feasible. Statements need to be clearly marked "Request for Letter of Interest for STORMWATER MANAGEMENT AND COMPLIANCE ASSISTANCE SERVICES."

The Stormwater Management and Compliance Assistance Services are currently being performed by a Consultant pursuant to a contract with the Authority which expires December 31, 2012. The Authority intends to select a Consultant for these services after a multi-phase selection process including a Request for Qualifications to be issued in October 2012. The Authority plans to make an award under a new contract in November 2012. The new contract term will be one-year with three (3), one-year extension options. The value of the new contract is estimated to be \$125,000 per year.

The Authority seeks to contract with a firm that has demonstrated capabilities in the area of stormwater management and compliance assistance. Consultants who have recent stormwater regulatory experience, working for a municipal or statewide public agency in Maine will be given consideration during the Request for Qualifications process. In their Letter, Consultants having such experience should list the project and client for whom they performed such services. The contract is anticipated to include the following major tasks:

- Compliance assistance with MS4 Permit;
- Assistance with other MEPDES and NPDES permits;
- Assistance with Applicability of Stormwater Management Law Chapter 500;
- Assistance with Memorandum of Agreement Development and Implementation; and
- Assistance with UIS Watershed Management Plans.

This is **not** a Request for Qualifications or Proposals. Letters of Interest from firms interested in being solicited to respond to a Request for Qualifications will be received by Susan Danforth, Purchasing Manager at the office of the Maine Turnpike Authority, 2360 Congress Street, Portland, ME,04102, until 4:00 p.m., prevailing time as determined by the Authority on September 11, 2012. Letters of Interest must provide a mailing address, telephone number, email address and fax number for each firm's designated contact.

For general information regarding Bidding and Contracting procedures, contact Susan Danforth, Purchasing Manager, at (207) 871-7771 Ext. 105.