EXHIBIT D

RESPONSES TO QUESTIONS RECEIVED BY NOON ON MARCH 10, 2017

• **OVERALL:** Will you please verify that this opportunity is open to all consultants, and not limited to only the CT DOH prequalified consultants.

YES, THIS OPPORTUNITY IS OPEN TO ALL CONSULTANTS WHO MEET THE REQUIREMENTS WITHIN THE RFQ AND IS NOT LIMITED TO THOSE PREQUALIFIED BY DOH.

• **p.3 \ II. BACKGROUND \ Fifth Paragraph:** Can the proposed contract terms and conditions regarding penalties and/or incentives for timely completion of tasks and adherence to established timeline that are anticipated to be used for negotiation by the State for this project be provided for our review prior to submitting qualifications?

THESE TERMS REMAIN TO BE DEVELOPED AND WOULD BE FINALIZED THROUGH NEGOTATIONS WITH THE HIGHEST RANKED BIDDER.

• **p.3 \ II. BACKGROUND \ Fifth Paragraph:** What is the State's estimated contract award date for this project for the prime firm to include in this proposed timeline?

IT IS ESTIMATED THAT THE NOTICE TO PROCEED WILL BE ISSUED ON OR AROUND MAY 1ST, 2017.

 p.7 \ IV. RESPONDENT QUALIFICATIONS \ General \ 3.: The SOI Professional Qualification Standards (36 CFR Part 61: Appendix A lists qualifications for Architectural history and Historic Architecture – which qualifications do we need to meet/obtain?

WHICH QUALIFICATION AND WHETHER OR NOT IT WILL ULTIMATELY BE NECESSARY WILL DEPEND AS THE PRELIMINARY DESIGN FOR EACH OF THE PROJECTS PROGRESSES, THE POTENTIAL IMPACTS TO HISTORIC RESOURCES IDENTIFIED, AND THE LEVEL TO WHICH MITIGATION MEASURES NEED TO BE DEVELOPED. SEE ANSWER BELOW WHICH HIGHLIGHTS SOME OF THE HISTORIC RESOURCES AND THE LINK TO THESE PROJECTS.

• p.8 \ IV. RESPONDENT QUALIFICATIONS \ Plans, Specifications, and Bidding Process: Please clarify how the "rehabilitation of single family homes" is relevant to the scope of work outlined in this solicitation.

THIS LANGUAGE WAS INCLUDED IN ERROR AND DOES NOT PERTAIN TO THE SCOPE OF WORK FOR WHICH QUALIFICATIONS ARE CURRENTLY BEING SOUGHT.

• **p. 9 \ V. AWARD CRITERIA \ Evaluation Criteria \ 2.:** Please clarify how familiarity with "SOI standards for the rehabilitation of buildings listed in the National Register of Historic Places" is relevant to the scope of work outlined in this solicitation.

THIS QUALIFICATION IS RELEVANT SO AS TO NOT EXCLUDE THE POSSIBILITY OF UTILIZING AN EXISTING, HISTORIC STRUCTURE TO REPURPOSE AS THE COMMUNITY RESILIENCE CENTER. ADDITIONALLY, IT SHOULD BE INTERPRETED MORE BROADLY GIVEN THE PROXIMITY OF TWO FEDERAL AND TWO LOCAL HISTORIC DISTRICTS TO THE RAISED RESILIENCE CORRIDOR AND SURGE PROTECTION LINE, THE POTENTIAL FOR THE RESILIENCE CENTER TO BE BUILT IN ONE OF THOSE DISTRICTS (EVEN IF NOT IN AN EXISTING BUILDING), AND THE POTENTIAL FOR THE RAISED RESILIENCE CORRIDOR AND/OR SURGE PROTECTION LINE TO RESULT IN ALTERATIONS TO THE HISTORIC, OLMSTED-DESIGNED SEASIDE PARK.

• **p. 12 \ CONDITIONS \ 14:** The RFQ asks us to submit an EE0-4. This form is submitted by governmental entities. As a private corporation, we submit an EE0-1. Will this be satisfactory?

YES.

• p. 14-16 \ RESPONDENT INFORMATION: Where should pages 14-16 of the solicitation go in the respondent's offer? Should they be Exhibit 1.1 and have a separate tab labeled "Respondent Information?"

YES

• p. 14-15 \ QUALIFICATIONS AND CAPACITY \ 3.2, 3.4, 3.5, 3.6, 3.7: Please confirm if these exhibits only need to be provided by the project lead/prime, of if the area also needed for subconsultants.

THESE EXHIBITS ARE NOT REQUIRED OF SUBCONSULTANTS AS PART OF THE BIDDERS RESPONSE TO THIS RFQ.

• **p. 15 \ MINORITY/WOMEN OWNED BUSINESS \ 6.2:** How does the equal employment policy statement in 6.2 differ from the one asked for in 3.5?

THE REQUESTED POLICY STATEMENT WOULD BE THE SAME DOCUMENT. THE LANGUAGE IN SECTION 3.5 ALSO CONTAINS THE WORDS "IF APPLICABLE" SINCE IT CONTEMPLATES THAT THE BIDDER MIGHT NOT HAVE ANY EMPLOYEES, IN WHICH CASE IT WOULD NOT HAVE AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY POLICY STATEMENT. SECTION 6.2 WHICH MENTIONS MINORITY/WOMEN OWNED BUSINESSES CONTEMPLATES THAT THE BIDDER MAY HAVE EMPLOYEES, ATHOUGH THAT MAY NT BE THE CASE, AND THEREFORE WOULD NEED TO HAVE AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY POLICY STATEMENT. IN ANY EVENT, THE SAME DOCUMENT WOULD BE RESPONSIVE TO BOTH ITEMS.

p.15 \ TIMETABLE AND CAPACITY TO INITIATE ACTIVITY \ 4.2: How is the information specified in this item (identify key personnel / project mgmt. personnel, their roles, and number of staff available) different from the information asked for in the org chart described in item 3.1? –

THE ORG CHART AND STAFF BIO INFORMATION REQUESTED AS EXHIBIT 3.1 ARE MEANT TO CONVEY TEAM STRUCTURE, RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN ELEMENTS OF THE TEAM INCLUDING SUBCONTRACTORS, MANAGEMENT APPROACH, AND THE EXPERIENCE AND TECHNICAL CAPABILITIES OF EACH MEMBER OF THE TEAM AND THE COLLECTIVE. THE MATERIALS REQUESTED AS EXHIBIT 4.2 ARE MEANT TO CONVEY THAT THE KEY MEMBERS OF THE TEAM AS PROPOSED WILL BE THOSE THAT WORK DIRECTLY ON THIS PROJECT AND THAT THEY HAVE THE CAPACITY TO COMPLETE THE DESCRIBED SCOPE OF WORK WITHIN THE DESIRED TIMELINE DESPITE OTHER OBLIGATIONS.