1. Can the Quality Assurance Manager and the Utility Coordinator be from the same firm? Both these personnel will not be involved in construction operations (including QC Inspection and testing).

   **VDOT Response:** The individual serving as the Quality Assurance Manager (QAM) and the individual serving as the Utility Coordinator can be from the same firm.

2. Will Arlington County or any other Stakeholders participate in Design Reviews and provide comments?

   **VDOT Response:** Yes, Design Reviews will need to be coordinated with Arlington County, the Pentagon (including National Capital Planning Commission), and National Park Services.

3. What is the 96” intake noted on the drawings for and where does it go to? Is it the Arlington Pollution Control Plant or another location?

   **VDOT Response:** The 96” intake carries water from the Lagoon to the Pentagon’s Heating and Refrigeration Plant.

4. Will the two current staging locations in the area be available for the Contractor for the duration of the project?

   **VDOT Response:** The two current staging locations are under use by the Lane Construction Corporation who is working on the I-395 HOT Lanes Project. As that project is coming to completion soon, it is currently anticipated that the Design-Builder will have access to at least one quadrant of the interchange for use as a staging area for the Boundary Channel Drive at the I-395 Interchange Project. The other in fill areas may be needed by VDOT, Arlington County, the Pentagon, or others for their respective projects. It will be the Design-Builder’s responsibility to coordinate the use of any staging areas for the Project.

5. Will it be possible to close the on/off ramps to best serve the project? If so, are there any constraints regarding hours, days, duration, etc.?

   **VDOT Response:** At this time, VDOT will not permit long-term closures of ramps, unless suitable detours are proposed and approved by VDOT, Arlington County, and the Pentagon,
and it is demonstrated to be of significant benefit to the project schedule and/or project costs. Requirements related to traffic control and lane closures will be included in the RFP.

6. Per Section 3.2.1 of the RFQ, it states that all signatures on the original Letter of Submittal shall be original and signed in ink. Due to the fact that the submittal is to be submitted via BidExpress, are electronic signatures allowed?

**VDOT Response:** Since the Statement of Qualification (SOQ) will be submitted through Bid Express, the last sentence of RFQ section 3.2.1 requiring submittal of a signature in ink will be deleted in an upcoming addendum. For this procurement, a scanned pdf copy of the SOQ shall be submitted through Bid Express.

7. The existing sidewalk on the north side of Boundary Channel Drive leads to a closed sidewalk in the gore area in the northwest quadrant of the interchange. During construction, does pedestrian access have to be provided along Boundary Channel Drive?

**VDOT Response:** Generally, existing pedestrian facilities are to be maintained during construction in accordance with Chapter 6D of the MUTCD; however, the Design-Builder may seek approval of VDOT and/or Arlington County should the desire be to close certain segments during construction, particularly those without connections to likely pedestrian destinations or other trails. Requirements related to pedestrian access during construction will be included in the RFP.

8. What are the permanent easements and perpetual easements for that are adjacent to the existing I-395 SB off ramp on page 11 of 28 from the pdf plan set provided?

**VDOT Response:** The existing permanent easement was established in 1977 between the United States of America and the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority for the construction, operation, maintenance and repair of the transit facility. The existing perpetual easement was established in 1979 between the United States of America and the Commonwealth of Virginia for the maintenance and operation of Route 95 (I-395).