

1. Drawing AD-110 / Plan Sheet 6 – Note 8 shows the existing lineal slot diffuser to remain. Drawing AA-103 / Plan Sheet 11 and Dwg M-100 / Sheet 34 show two (2) new lineal slot diffusers in NEW location. **Please confirm that the old diffuser is to be removed and new diffusers installed as shown.**

Answer: Existing slot diffuser to be removed. Two new diffusers to be installed per Mechanical drawings.

2. Per your E-Mail, dated 2 Feb, you're asking that the ceiling over the stage remain in place and the contractor to be responsible for partial abatement as required to complete the work. Note the following items of work that must be accomplished at or above that ceiling, which will require extensive cutting and / or patching

a. Remove the existing ductwork and install new ductwork, including the main trunk lines that will serve the auditorium – see Dwg M-100 / Sheet 34.

b. Remove the existing lineal slot diffuser and install new diffusers in other locations – see Dwg M-100 / Sheet 34.

c. Remove the existing recessed light fixtures and install new light fixtures, which will require the removal of existing conduit and installation of new conduit – see Dwg AD-110 / Sheet 6 and Dwg E-101 / sheet 46.

d. If the Fire Sprinkler is to be installed, piping above the ceiling will need to be run for the multiple penetrations for fire sprinkler heads. This work will require extensive cutting of new openings, some of which will require additional framing to support the new opening edge. Existing openings being patched will also require new framing. To make these patches blend with the existing ceiling, the joint between the new DW and the existing DW will have to be taped, mudded and sanded. **This sanding, however, will impact the existing DW and joint compound, releasing asbestos into the air during construction.** Therefore, **we request that either the ceiling be specifically shown to be removed and replaced OR, give the Contractor the Option** of cutting and patching the existing ceiling as currently shown or simply removing the ceiling and install a new ceiling.

Answer: Contractor has the option of leaving existing ceiling in place with spot abate and repair as required or to remove and replace the dais ceiling in its entirety. The Department expects final appearance to be of comparable quality.

3. As discussed at the PreBid Meeting, and noted in the Non-Technical Specifications, Deliveries and Debris Removal can only be done between 6 pm and 7 am on weekday (or anytime during the weekend). We discussed having a staging area on the south side of the building (and the northern row of parking spaces immediately south of the Auditorium Building per the attached sketch) which will be fenced. **Please confirm that materials being moved from this staging area into the building CAN be done between 6 pm and 7 am.** Similarly, **please confirm that Debris Removal (including abatement and demolition) can be moved from inside the building into dumpsters located in the staging area CAN be done between 6pm and 7 am.**

Answer: Part (1) Yes, Part (2) Yes

4. Assuming that the Contractor WILL be able to move materials and debris between this staging area and the inside of the Auditorium during the day..... **We request that Deliveries and Debris Removal to and from the Project Site (the staging area) be allowed during regular working hours.** We believe an access point can be provided in the temp construction fence to allow vehicles into the staging area. Materials can then be unloaded and debris picked up and removed from the site.

Answer: Based upon traffic flow we must adhere to the Technical Specifications, Summary of Work 01010-3, 1.03 Deliveries and Debris Removal.

5. Notes 1 & 12/AD-100 state to remove and reuse wood panels. According to SESI Updated Asbestos and LBP Survey Report, these panels are attached to the wall with black mastic that is ACM. So this black mastic will be on the back of the panel. **Is the ACM mastic to be abated from these panels prior to delivery to DOT or if being reused? Has it been verified with the Asbestos Consultant that reuse of these materials is permitted by DEP Standards?**

Answer: It is our understanding that once the ACM has been abated the hardwood panels will be permitted for reuse in the building. Contractor must abate all panels that are removed for reuse, including those delivered to the Department.

6. According to Spec Section 16110, Paragraph 3.03.B.5, EMT is to be used as raceways in walls. There are several locations where new electrical devices are to be installed in existing walls and will require partial demo of walls to install boxes and conduit. Walls will then require refinishing/sanding which will release asbestos from the existing joint compound. Therefore, we believe it would be beneficial to simply remove all the drywall. That would allow the proper installation of the new conduit boxes, as well as proper finishing to provide a smooth drywall surface, rather than one showing all the patches, etc due to poor finishing due to concerns of asbestos. Therefore, **we are requesting that all drywall be abated and replaced OR give the Contractor the Option of cutting & patching versus replacing.**

Answer: Contractor has the option of leaving existing drywall in place with spot abate and repair as required or to remove and replace the drywall. The Department expects final appearance to be of comparable quality.

7. Key Note 15 on Dwg AD-100 / Plan sheet 4 calls for the removal of the existing fire cabinet. **Is this cabinet to be removed regardless of whether the alternate for fire protection systems is accepted?**

Answer: Base bid price will require the fire cabinet to be removed and cap pipe above ceiling.

8. Key Note 4 on Dwg AA-103 / Plan sheet 11 states to paint all exposed surfaces which is assumed to include structural steel above. Page 4 of the Updated Asbestos and LBP Survey Report states that "a TCLP Pb from the waste streams of the Auditorium Building is not required for painting and renovation

activities unless the structural metal beams would be disturbed.” Not sure what this means. **Please confirm that we are to paint the exposed structural steel in these locations AND that this painting will not be considered disturbing the LBP such that abatement (or other measures related to the LBP) will be required.**

Answer: In areas to be left exposed, LBP on structural steel above will be encapsulated by the new paint.