

SP0020201BDI PROPOSAL REQUIREMENTS AND CONDITIONS
COMMENTS FROM INTERNAL/INDUSTRY REVIEW

FDOT
D5 Construction

Comments: (5-18-15)

2-7 Guaranty to Accompany Proposals: On contracts over \$150,000, a proposal.... It should read:
On contracts over "\$150,000", a proposal....

Response: Quotes are not used around dollar value amounts per the Department's style of writing specifications. No change made.

Daniel Strickland

Comments: (5-20-15)

Why are bid bond requirements in Section 2-7 different than those in the Standard Specs, as it relates to the payment type? If the reason is to further assist BDI contractors by them not having to get a surety/insurance agent prior to award of a contract, then why do we have a specific form for "BDI bid bonds"?

Response: A different payment type was listed to simplify the process for small businesses. A different form is used to distinguish between the other bid bond form. No change made.

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Comments: (5-20-15)

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Response: The word 'contracts' will be changed to 'proposals'.

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Comments: (6-9-15)

2-7 Guaranty to Accompany Proposals. Consider increasing the proposal guaranty to at least one percent of the bid amount so that more responsibility will be thrust upon bidders. \$500.00 proposal guarantee seems to be minimal.

"On contracts over \$150,000, a proposal guaranty of \$500.00 1% of bid amount must accompany each bid. This guarantee must be in the form of either a bid bond, certified check, cashier's check, trust company treasurer's check, or a bank draft of any national or state bank made payable to the Florida Department of Transportation. A check or draft in an amount less than \$500.00 will Noncompliance will invalidate the bid."

Response: The lower amount is designed to encourage more small businesses to submit bids. The words 'will invalidate' are appropriate and reads better in the sentence. No change made.

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Comments: (5-14-15) (submitted as comment to 0080100BDI Industry Review)
First sentence, "...to a small business or businesses as defined.." Should the words "small business" and "businesses" be capitalized? They are capitalized and in quotation marks in the SP0020201DBI Spec.

Response: The capitalization in SP 0020201 will be changed to remove the quotes and change small business to lower case.
