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TITLE 25 INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION

Proposed Rule

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DIGEST

Amends 25 IAC 2 to include changes to the duties of the public works division, a designer's bidding duty, the threshold for prequalification, application for prequalification approval, criteria for bidding, the bidding process, nonpayment of subcontractors, the Certification Board and purposes of the Certification Board, prequalification procedures and requirements, bid acceptance, application of foreign corporations, application of designers, and qualifications for certification in architecture, professional engineering, and nonlicensed fields. Adds 25 IAC 2-16-9 regarding fees for submission, renewal, extension, and reconsideration of an application for prequalification. Makes technical and clarifying corrections. Effective 30 days after filing with the Secretary of State.

IC 4-22-2.1-5 Statement Concerning Rules Affecting Small Businesses

The proposed amendments will not impose requirements or costs on small businesses under IC 4-22-2.1-5.

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SECTION 1. 25 IAC 2-1-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

25 IAC 2-1-1 New construction requisitions; public works division's duties Authority: IC 4-13-2-9; IC 4-13.6-3-1 Affected: IC 4-13-1-3; IC 4-13-1-4 Sec. 1. The Public Works division is responsible for the approval and processing of all requisitions and project requests for all new construction by the state and some field control over such the construction as needed. Such The control shall not extend to the Indiana department of Highways and Division of transportation, facilities under the jurisdiction of the state fair board, the state armory board, and other commissions or boards created by law to operate separately or the facilities at the state-supported colleges and universities. These duties include the following:

(1) Making on-site investigations to ascertain the following:

(A) The physical need for the proposed project. as well as

(B) The judgment of its economic justification.

(2) Making recommendations for the selection of architects and engineers to do for the design of projects where the project is too large or complicated to be performed by the state.

(3) Designing and writing the specifications for projects.

(4) Supervising the advertising and bidding of contracts for construction.

(5) Analyzing the bids and making a bid report with recommendations recommendation as to the award of contracts.

(6) Composing and administering design and construction contracts with the successful contractors.

(7) Making periodic visits to the major construction projects and conferring with the designer regarding progress and approval of construction.

(8) Approving all payments to **designers and** contractors.

(9) Making a final inspection of the construction. and

(10) Accepting the construction on behalf of the state.

(Indiana Department of Administration; Public Works Division Sec A, 1; filed Feb 29, 1972, 4:10 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1973, p. 1; filed Feb 3, 1982, 1:05 p.m.: 5 IR 508; readopted filed Nov 20, 2001, 9:30 a.m.: 25 IR 1265)

SECTION 2. 25 IAC 2-1-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

25 IAC 2-1-2 Public works division duties; building rehabilitation, alteration, repair; preventive maintenance program Authority: IC 4-13-2-9; IC 4-13.6-3-1 Affected: IC 4-13-1-3; IC 4-13-1-4

Sec. 2. In addition to the duties described in section 1 of this rule, the division also performs the technical engineering tasks involved in the rehabilitation, alterations, and repair of buildings owned by the state, except those structures exempted under section 1 above, of this rule, acting in a staff function in furnishing technical advice to the several institutions in for this work. Whenever such rehabilitation, alteration, demolition, or repair require the requires services of outside designers and contractors; for design or construction, the division performs the necessary functions of for obtaining outside Designer the services as set out in the preceding section (25 IAC 2-1-1). It also 1 of this rule. The division:

(1) is also responsible for the administration of a continuing preventive maintenance program for all state-owned buildings facilities except those structures exempted under section 1 above, of this rule; and

(2) has the authority to:

(A) authorize emergency parts and supplies;

(B) initiate remedial programs of construction; or

(C) service contracts;

whenever needed to ensure an adequate preventive maintenance program.

The division is not intimately involved with, but will be available to aid the **department of** natural resources, Department, the Indiana state police **department**, and the **Indiana** department of Highway **transportation** in the implementing and administering of their respective preventive maintenance programs. (*Indiana Department of Administration; Public Works Division Sec A,2; filed Feb 29, 1972, 4:10 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1973, p. 1; filed Feb. 3, 1982, 1:05 p.m.: 5 IR 508; readopted filed Nov 20, 2001, 9:30 a.m.: 25 IR 1265)*

SECTION 3. 25 IAC 2-2-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

25 IAC 2-2-1 Definitions

Authority: IC 4-13-2-9; IC 4-13.6-3-1 Affected: IC 4-13-1-3; IC 4-13-1-4; IC 4-13.6-3-3

Sec. 1. The following words and phrases, as used in these rules and regulations shall have the following meaning: definitions apply throughout this article:

(a) "Department" means the Indiana Department of Administration created by IC 4-13-1.

(b) "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of the Department of Administration.

(c) "Division" means the Division of Public Works, Indiana Department of Administration.

(d) "Operating Department" means the unit of government that will be responsible for the operation, maintenance and use of structure, equipment or apparatus being contracted for.

(e) "Director" means the Director of Public Works Division of the Department of Administration.

(f) "Bid Officer" means the representative of the Division in responsible charge of the bid opening.

(1) "Approved bidder" means a bidder who is prequalified with the department in accordance with the rules and regulations as promulgated by the certification board.

(g) (2) "Bid" means a sealed proposal to construct or perform services as set out in the information to bidders.

(h) (3) "Bidder" means a supplier or contractor who submits offers to construct or perform services for the department.

(i) "Approved Bidder" means a bidder who is certified with the Department in accord with the rules and regulations as promulgated by the prequalification Certification Board.

(4) "Bid officer" means the representative of the division in responsible charge of the bid opening.

(j) (5) "Certification board" means the prequalification certification board as established by IC 4-13-7. IC 4-13.6-3-3.

(6) "Commissioner" means the commissioner of the department.

(k) (7) "Contract designer" means any architect, engineer, or other professional under contract with the state to perform certain consultant or design services for the state.

(1) "State Designer" means any Architect, Engineer or other professional or technician performing certain design services for the State while within the employ of the State.

(m) (8) "Contractor" means any firm supplying construction or other services to the state under a direct contract with the state. (n) "Subcontractor" means any firm supplying construction or other services to the Contractor under a contract with said Contractor.

(o) "Inspector" means an employee of the Division having the responsibility of inspecting State Construction Projects.

(9) "Department" means the Indiana department of administration created under IC 4-13-1.

(p) (10) "Designer" means any architect, engineer, surveyor, or other professional who:

(A) by formal training and/or or registration, or both, are otherwise legally authorized to perform services and design work for the state; and

(B) may be either a contract or state designer.

(11) "Director" means the director of the division.

(12) "Division" means the division of public works of the department.

(13) "Executive secretary" means the secretary for the certification board.

(14) "Inspector" means an employee of the division having the responsibility for review of progress on state construction projects.

(15) "Operating department" means the unit of government that will be responsible for the operation, maintenance, and use of structure, equipment, or apparatus being contracted for.

(q) (16) "Professional Contractural contractual service" means a professional firm who by formal training, registration, or are otherwise legally authorized by the manufacturer or supplier to perform maintenance or repair services on complicated or specialized equipment or controlled systems.

(r) (17) "Project manager" means Public Work's a division professional assigned to coordinate projects.

(s) "Executive Secretary" means secretary for Certification Board.

(18) "State designer" means any architect, engineer, or other professional or technician performing certain design services for the state while within the employ of the state.

(19) "Subcontractor" means any firm supplying construction or other services to the contractor under a contract with the contractor.

(Indiana Department of Administration; Public Works Division Sec B; filed Feb 29, 1972, 4:10 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1973, p.2; filed Feb 3, 1982, 1:05 p.m.: 5 IR 509; readopted filed Nov 20, 2001, 9:30 a.m.: 25 IR 1265)

SECTION 4. 25 IAC 2-3-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

25 IAC 2-3-1 List of prequalified designers Authority: IC 4-13-2-9; IC 4-13.6-3-1 Affected: IC 4-13.6

Sec. 1. The division shall maintain a list of prequalified designers, composed of:

(1) architects;

(2) engineers;

(3) surveyors; and

(4) other professionals;

who by an application to the certification board have expressed an interest in furnishing their services for proposed state work. (Indiana Department of Administration; Public Works Division Sec C, 1; filed Feb 29, 1972, 4:10 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1973, p.2; filed Feb 3, 1982, 1:05 p.m.: 5 IR 509; readopted filed Nov 20, 2001, 9:30 a.m.: 25 IR 1265)

SECTION 5. 25 IAC 2-3-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

25 IAC 2-3-3 Selection procedure for contract designers; qualifications; limitations on subcontractors Authority: IC 4-13-2-9; IC 4-13.6-3-1 Affected: IC 4-13.6; IC 5-16-1-2

Sec. 3. For any project **for** which the director determines that the assignment of a contract designer is required: the head of the interested facility requesting the project shall be asked to submit his recommendations to the Director and

(1) the director shall recommend at least three (3) who:

(A) qualify in the particular classification of work; and

(B) are currently in good standing with the State certification board; and

(2) the commissioner shall select a contract designer for the purpose of negotiating a contract for the proposed design work.

Such The negotiations will be predicated upon a showing that his the designer's personnel availability and work in progress will warrant that the work contemplated can be done in a timely manner. The contract designer shall not subcontract any of the contracted design work, considered to be part of the prime contract work, except those functions normally subcontracted in similar circumstances, and such the proposed subcontract professionals shall be subject to the same prequalifications as the contract design firm and must be approved for such the subcontract design work by the director prior to before use. Approval of a contract design firm shall only be considered where a sufficient number of the personnel of said the firm shall have valid professional qualification and requisites to ensure intimate, competent control over all facets of the design work under consideration as evidenced by professional registration. (Indiana Department of Administration; Public Works Division Sec C,3; filed Feb 29, 1972, 4:10 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1973, p.3; filed Feb 3, 1982, 1:05 p.m.: 5 IR 510; readopted filed Nov 20, 2001, 9:30 a.m.: 25 IR 1265)

SECTION 6. 25 IAC 2-3-4 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

25 IAC 2-3-4 Fee proposals for design work; selection procedure for alternate contract designer Authority: IC 4-13-2-9; IC 4-13.6-3-1 Affected: IC 4-13.6; IC 5-16-11.1

Sec. 4. **The** director shall recommend to the commissioner the fee proposed for the professional work. In making his **the** fee proposal for this design work, the director shall consider the project as a whole, considering **including** its location, complexity, need for expediency, and the aid to be given by the state in the design and control of construction. The various points considered in reaching the fee, be it a percentage of eventual cost or as a firm figure, fixed amount, shall be reflected in the design contract itself. If, after a review of the project and negotiations as to scope and fee, an agreement is not reached, then:

(1) the director shall report such the circumstances to the commissioner; and he

(2) the commissioner shall decide whether to continue the negotiations or contact another designer from the recommendation list. (Indiana Department of Administration; Public Works Division Sec C,4; filed Feb 29, 1972, 4:10 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1973, p.3; filed Feb 3, 1982, 1:05 p.m.: 5 IR 510; readopted filed Nov 20, 2001, 9:30 a.m.: 25 IR 1265)

SECTION 7. 25 IAC 2-3-6 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

25 IAC 2-3-6 Designer's duty to assure a bid within budget Authority: IC 4-13-2-9; IC 4-13.6-3-1 Affected: IC 4-13.6

Sec. 6. The designer shall make every effort possible to ensure that the scope and cost of the project remains within the budget allocation. Where bids are over received exceed the allocated funds by more than ten percent (10%) and additional funds are not available:

(1) the designer shall redesign **the work**, at no additional cost to the state, to bid a cost within **the** allocation; or (2) the project shall be abandoned:

at the option of the state. (Indiana Department of Administration; Public Works Division Sec C,6; filed Feb 29, 1972, 4:10 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1973, p.3; filed Feb 3, 1982, 1:05 p.m.: 5 IR 510; readopted filed Nov 20, 2001, 9:30 a.m.: 25 IR 1265)

SECTION 8. 25 IAC 2-4-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

25 IAC 2-4-1 List of prequalified contractors Authority: IC 4-13-2-9; IC 4-13.6-3-1 Affected: IC 4-13.6; IC 5-16-1-2

Sec. 1. The division shall maintain a list of prequalified contractors who, by an application to the certification board, of the Division have expressed an interest in contracting with the state to perform construction work within the financial and experience limits of their prequalification as set out in their current certificate. (Indiana Department of Administration; Public Works Division Sec D,1; filed Feb 29, 1972, 4:10 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1973, p. 3; filed Feb 3, 1982, 1:05 p.m.: 5 IR 510; readopted filed Nov 20, 2001, 9:30 a.m.: 25 IR 1265)

SECTION 9. 25 IAC 2-4-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

25 IAC 2-4-2 Application for prequalification approval as precondition to bidding Authority: IC 4-13-2-9; IC 4-13.6-3-1 Affected: IC 4-13.6

Sec. 2. A contractor desiring to so perform construction work for the division must, as an act prior to before being allowed to bid on projects with a valuation exceeding \$50,000; one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000):

(1) apply to the State certification board supplying all of the pertinent information required by that the certification board; and
(2) obtain their prequalification approval;

as set out in these rules and regulations of the Public Works Division. this article. A contractor shall not be considered to have legally received plans on a particular project having a valuation exceeding \$50,000, one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000) without being currently qualified prequalified by said the certification board. both in the classification of work involved and having the financial availability to do the work, said financial position being based on the criteria and formula as also set out in these rules and regulations. (Indiana Department of Administration; Public Works Division Sec D,2; filed Feb 29, 1972, 4:10 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1973, p. 4; filed Feb 3, 1982, 1:05 p.m.: 5 IR 511; readopted filed Nov 20, 2001, 9:30 a.m.: 25 IR 1265)

SECTION 10. 25 IAC 2-4-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

25 IAC 2-4-3 Subcontractors' prequalification as precondition to starting work Authority: IC 4-13-2-9; IC 4-13.6-3-1 Affected: IC 4-13.6; IC 5-16-1-2

Sec. 3. Any subcontractor proposing to do work which that has a valuation in excess of \$50,000, one hundred fifty thousand dollars (**\$150,000**) shall also be prequalified as set out in section 2 above of this rule before the prime contractor can start subcontractor begins any work on the site. (*Indiana Department of Administration; Public Works Division Sec D,3; filed Feb 29, 1972, 4:10 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1973, p.4; filed Feb 3, 1982, 1:05 p.m.: 5 IR 511; readopted filed Nov 20, 2001, 9:30 a.m.: 25 IR 1265)*

SECTION 11. 25 IAC 2-5-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

25 IAC 2-5-1 Projects less than \$75,000; criteria for bid exemption Authority: IC 4-13-2-9; IC 4-13.6-3-1 Affected: IC 4-13.6

Sec. 1. (a) When the estimated cost of construction is less than five hundred seventy-five thousand dollars (\$500), (\$75,000), contracts may be issued without taking competitive bids upon receipt of two or more offers at least one (1) offer from firms contractors interested in the subject project.

(b) Competitive bids shall not be required for professional contractural contractual services where:

(1) no competition exist exists, such as:

(A) manufacturer representatives' special expertise expert service on specialized equipment; and where

(B) rates or prices are fixed by law or ordinance; or where

(2) purchases are made from the United States government. or any agency, division or instrumentality there of. Competitive bids shall not be required for repair parts for machinery or equipment which that can only be procured from the manufacturer of such the machinery or equipment. (Indiana Department of Administration; Public Works Division Sec E, 1; filed Feb 29, 1972, 4:10 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1973, p.4; filed Feb 3, 1982, 1:05 p.m.: 5 IR 511; readopted filed Nov 20, 2001, 9:30 a.m.: 25 IR 1265)

SECTION 12. 25 IAC 2-5-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

25 IAC 2-5-2 Projects between \$75,000 and \$150,000; criteria for bidding Authority: IC 4-13-2-9; IC 4-13.6-3-1 Affected: IC 4-13.6-5-8; IC 5-16-1-3

Sec. 2. When the estimated cost of construction exceeds five hundred seventy-five thousand dollars (\$500) (\$75,000) but less than five one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$5,000), (\$150,000), sealed bids shall be solicited by posting a notice on the bulletin board in the office of the Commissioner and in office of Director at least seven working days preceding the date set for the opening of bids. The Division shall also contact contractors in the immediate area of the work involving them to consider bidding the project. accordance with IC 4-13.6-5-8. (Indiana Department of Administration; Public Works Division Sec E, 2; filed Feb 29, 1972, 4:10 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1973, p.4; filed Feb 3, 1982, 1:05 p.m.: 5 IR 511; readopted filed Nov 20, 2001, 9:30 a.m.: 25 IR 1265)

SECTION 13. 25 IAC 2-5-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

25 IAC 2-5-3 Projects over \$150,000; criteria for bidding; wage determination Authority: IC 4-13-2-9; IC 4-13.6-3-1 Affected: IC 4-13.6-5; IC 5-16-1-3; IC 5-16-7-2

Sec. 3. When required under IC 4-13.6-5, sealed bids will be solicited by:

(1) posting on a public bulletin board in the office of the director seven (7) days before the final date for submitting bids; and
(2) public notice shall be inserted at least once each week for two (2) successive weeks before the final date of submitting bids in:

(A) one (1) newspaper of general circulation in Marion County, Indiana; and

(B) if any part of the project is located in an area outside Marion County, Indiana, one (1) newspaper of general circulation in that area.

A project may be listed with one (1) or more private bid service organizations. using electronic access. A prevailing common construction wage scale determination shall be secured and such the rates incorporated in every project, except those under 25 IAC 2-11 when time will not permit. The contractor shall post rates to be paid on the job on state premises and file with the Department of Administration, Public Works Division, Indiana Government Center-South, 402 West Washington Street, Room W467, Indianapolis, Indiana 46204-2743. (Indiana Department of Administration; Public Works Division Sec E, 3; filed Feb 29, 1972, 4:10 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1973, p. 4; filed Feb 3, 1982, 1:05 p.m.: 5 IR 512; filed May 4, 1992, 9:30 a.m.: 15 IR 1906; readopted filed Nov 20, 2001, 9:30 a.m.: 25 IR 1265)

SECTION 14. 25 IAC 2-6-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

25 IAC 2-6-2 Bid preparation and submittal requirements Authority: IC 4-13-2-9; IC 4-13.6-3-1 Affected: IC 4-13.6; IC 5-16-1-3

Sec. 2. Bids shall be contained in a sealed envelope:

(1) with attached blue label as supplied by the Division or marked as specified and/or supplied by the Designer. It shall be bidder's name and address clearly shown; and

(2) plainly marked as a bid with job and time identification clearly stated. (Indiana Department of Administration; Public Works Division Sec F,2; filed Feb 29, 1972, 4:10 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1973, p.5; filed Feb 3, 1982, 1:05 p.m.: 5 IR 512; readopted filed Nov 20, 2001, 9:30 a.m.: 25 IR 1265)

SECTION 15. 25 IAC 2-6-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

25 IAC 2-6-3 Bidder's prequalification review by executive secretary; bid acceptance conditions Authority: IC 4-13-2-9; IC 4-13.6-3-1 Affected: IC 4-13.6; IC 5-16-1-2

Sec. 3. The executive secretary of the certification board or his **or** her designate shall, immediately prior to **before** the designated time for acceptance of bids for projects estimated to exceed \$50,000, **one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000),** review the prequalification of all bidders submitting bids. If:

(1) a bid packet is received; and

(2) the bidder is not currently qualified prequalified with said the certification board; or his financial availability is not approved at the time, then this fact shall be brought to the attention of the Director or in his absence the Commissioner and

the bid shall not be opened until receiving a decision as to the acceptability of the bid. The Director may solicit the aid of the Attorney General in making such a decision. rejected. (Indiana Department of Administration; Public Works Division Sec F,3; filed Feb 29, 1972, 4:10 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1973, p.5; filed Feb 3, 1982, 1:05 p.m.: 5 IR 512; readopted filed Nov 20, 2001, 9:30 a.m.: 25 IR 1265)

SECTION 16. 25 IAC 2-6-5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

25 IAC 2-6-5 Contract bid award criteria; rejection or waiver of nonconforming bids Authority: IC 4-13-2-9; IC 4-13.6-3-1 Affected: IC 4-13.6; IC 5-16-1-2

Sec. 5. All bids shall conform to all applicable requirements of the specifications including the instructions to bidders, general conditions, and special conditions. The bid officer shall:

(1) tentatively reject any bid failing to adhere to or conform to such; and shall

(2) inform the director or in his or her absence the commissioner of this fact; and

(3) await a decision as to the acceptability of the bid. It is

The intent of the department **is** to not waive technicalities of the bidding procedure. The award of such **a** contract shall be made on the basis of the lowest qualified **responsible and responsive** bid. deemed to be the best bid. (Indiana Department of Administration; Public Works Division Sec F,5; filed Feb 29, 1972, 4:10 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1973, p.5; filed Feb 3, 1982, 1:05 p.m.: 5 IR 513; readopted filed Nov 20, 2001, 9:30 a.m.: 25 IR 1265)

SECTION 17. 25 IAC 2-8-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

25 IAC 2-8-1 Construction inspection duties; designer's rights to approve design changes and interpretation Authority: IC 4-13-2-9; IC 4-13.6-3-1 Affected: IC 4-13.6

Sec. 1. The division has the responsibility for the inspection of all construction which that has been designed by contract designers; however, such the division shall also make periodic reviews of all construction which that has been designed by contract designers; however, such the designers by their contract are held responsible for the primary inspection. Such Periodic inspection review by the state does not relieve the designer of the responsibility for the primary inspection, control, and coordination of the project. The inspectors for the Division have for their primary purpose ensuring that such functions are properly carried out by the Contract Designer and secondarily to aid in the resolution of problems arising between the Contract Designer, the Institution personnel and the Contractor. On projects designed by a contract designer, the inspectors or institutional employees shall not give instructions to any contractor or subcontractor directly, except in an emergency, instead bringing the facts to the attention of the contract designer for resolution. Any:

(1) change in the methods or performing an item of work;

(2) substitution of material;

(3) revision to schedule;

(4) extra work orders;

(5) extension of completion time; or

(6) interpretation of the plans and specifications;

shall originate with the designer and be approved by Public Works the division. (Indiana Department of Administration; Public Works Division Sec H, 1; filed Feb 29, 1972, 4:10 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1973, p.7; filed Feb 3, 1982, 1:05 p.m.: 5 IR 514; readopted filed Nov 20, 2001, 9:30 a.m.: 25 IR 1265)

SECTION 18. 25 IAC 2-9-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

25 IAC 2-9-3 Nonpayment of subcontractors; documentation of nonpayment; procedure Authority: IC 4-13-2-9; IC 4-13.6-3-1 Affected: IC 4-13.6; IC 5-16-5

Sec. 3. Pursuant to Under IC 5-16-5, as amended, partial payments may be temporarily held up by the division if it the division has received a certificate from a subcontractor asserting that his or her work, having been completed within the past sixty (60) days was billed to the prime contractor and not paid. Copies of such the certified claim shall be forwarded to the contractor's bond surety for information and possible action. The partial pay request shall be released for payment upon satisfactory evidence that the subcontractor has been paid. If it is evident that a disagreement exists as to the billing in question, then the state shall:

(1) reduce the partial billing by the amount claimed; and

(2) pass partial the balance on for payment.

Copies of all correspondence pertaining to the alleged nonpayment to subcontractors in violation of the contract between the state and the prime contractor shall be placed in their respective prequalification file for review by the certification board. Information relative to the alleged nonpayment of bills due involving a contractor, subcontractor, or materialman shall be released to persons only when reasons for such the information are set out in writing, or the one seeking such the information appears in person and requests to see such the financial records. (Indiana Department of Administration; Public Works Division Sec 1,3; filed Feb 29, 1972, 4:10 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1973, p.8; filed Feb 3, 1982, 1:05 p.m.: 5 IR 515; readopted filed Nov 20, 2001, 9:30 a.m.: 25 IR 1265)

SECTION 19. 25 IAC 2-10-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

25 IAC 2-10-1 Final project review; final billing Authority: IC 4-13-2-9; IC 4-13.6-3-1 Affected: IC 5-16-5

Sec. 1. Whenever the project has progressed to the point of substantial completion, an inspection a review shall be made by the contract designer accompanied by the following:

(1) The contractor.

(2) A representative of this the division. and

(3) A representative of the operating department.

After all deficiencies have been substantially remedied, the designer shall recommend to the director that the construction project be accepted. After the director has accepted the project in on behalf of the state, (DAPW 5), the final billing may be submitted, accompanied by affidavits and other documents evidencing that all subcontracts and bills for materials and services have been paid. (Indiana Department of Administration; Public Works Division Sec J, 1; filed Feb 29, 1972, 4:10 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1973, p.8; filed Feb 3, 1982, 1:05 p.m.: 5 IR 515; readopted filed Nov 20, 2001, 9:30 a.m.: 25 IR 1265)

SECTION 20. 25 IAC 2-12-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

25 IAC 2-12-1 Certification; construction of article 2 Authority: IC 4-13-2-9; IC 4-13.6-3-1 Affected: IC 4-13.6-3-3

Sec. 1. Statutory provisions governing the certification board of the Indiana Department of Administration, Public Works Division, may be found in IC 4-13-7 IC 4-13.6-3-3, as amended. Rules and regulations incorporated herein are additional and supplemental to the Act and its amendments. (Indiana Department of Administration; Public Works Division Sec L, 1; filed Feb 29, 1972, 4:10 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1973, p.9; filed Feb 3, 1982, 1:05 p.m.: 5 IR 516; readopted filed Nov 20, 2001, 9:30 a.m.: 25 IR 1265)

SECTION 21. 25 IAC 2-13-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

25 IAC 2-13-1 Files; space allocation Authority: IC 4-13.6-1-2; IC 4-13.6-3-1 Affected: IC 4-13.6

Sec. 1. The certification board composed of the State Building Commissioner, Examiner or Deputy Examiner of the State Board of Accounts, and the Director of the Public Works Division, no more than two (2) of whom shall be members of the same political party, shall have its files and other administrative materials quartered in space allocated by the Public Works division. (Indiana Department of Administration; Public Works Division Sec M,1; filed Feb 29, 1972, 4:10 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1973, p. 9; readopted filed Nov 20, 2001, 9:30 a.m.: 25 IR 1265)

SECTION 22. 25 IAC 2-13-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

25 IAC 2-13-3 Chairperson Authority: IC 4-13-2-9; IC 4-13.6-3-1 Affected: IC 4-13.6

Sec. 3. The Chairman chairperson of the certification board shall be nominated and elected from and by the members of the board for a yearly term dating from each January. It is permissible for the Chairman to succeed himself. director. (Indiana Department of Administration; Public Works Division Sec M,3; filed Feb 29, 1972, 4:10 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1973, p. 10; readopted filed Nov 20, 2001, 9:30 a.m.: 25 IR 1265)

SECTION 23. 25 IAC 2-13-4 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

25 IAC 2-13-4 Certification board meetings Authority: IC 4-13-2-9; IC 4-13.6-3-1 Affected: IC 4-13.6; IC 5-14-1.5

Sec. 4. Meetings shall be held on the second Wednesday of each month. unless circumstances require that another date be set. Rescheduling of meetings may be made upon unanimous consent of the members, but meetings shall never be no more than forty-five (45) days apart. Special meetings may be called at any time if: all

(1) a majority of members agree thereto; and if

(2) it is deemed that such a special meeting will serve the best interests of the state. of Indiana.

In accordance with the Indiana Open Door Law, (IC 5-14-1.5, Acts of 1977), notice of all meetings will be posted on the bulletin board in the office of Public Works the division and notice given to all news media representatives who annually in writing request such the notice be given. The agenda of each meeting will be posted with the time, date, and place at least forty-eight (48) hours prior. before the meeting. (Indiana Department of Administration; Public Works Division Sec M,4; filed Feb 29, 1972, 4:10 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1973, p.10; filed Feb 3, 1982, 1:05 p.m.: 5 IR 517; readopted filed Nov 20, 2001, 9:30 a.m.: 25 IR 1265)

SECTION 24. 25 IAC 2-13-5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

25 IAC 2-13-5 Quorum; majority Authority: IC 4-13-2-9; IC 4-13.6-3-1 Affected: IC 4-13.6

Sec. 5. The certification board may meet with one member absent if it has the consent of the absent member. a quorum is present. At least two (2) members must agree if a motion is to be passed whether there be two (2) or three (3) members present. (Indiana Department of Administration; Public Works Division Sec M,5; filed Feb 29, 1972, 4:10 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1973, p. 10; readopted filed Nov 20, 2001, 9:30 a.m.: 25 IR 1265)

SECTION 25. 25 IAC 2-14-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

25 IAC 2-14-1 Purposes of the certification board; contractor's prequalification approval Authority: IC 4-13-2-9; IC 4-13.6-3-1 Affected: IC 4-13.6 Sec. 1. (a) The purposes of the certification board are to determine the following:

(1) Which applicant contractors have the:

(A) experience;

(B) physical capabilities; and

(C) financial resources;

to bid or to subcontract on state construction projects valued in excess of **one hundred** fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) which (\$150,000) that are implemented through the facilities of the Public Works division and all other agencies so required by statute. and

(b) To determine (2) Which applicant designers have the:

(A) professional capabilities;

(B) manpower; and

(C) experience;

necessary to perform architectural, engineering, or related professional work on state projects of the same magnitude likewise implemented through the Public Works division.

(Indiana Department of Administration; Public Works Division Sec N,1; filed Feb 29, 1972, 4:10 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1973, p.10; filed Feb 3, 1982, 1:05 p.m.: 5 IR 517; readopted filed Nov 20, 2001, 9:30 a.m.: 25 IR 1265)

SECTION 26. 25 IAC 2-14-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

25 IAC 2-14-2 Certification board approval; certificate of qualification Authority: IC 4-13-2-9; IC 4-13.6-3-1 Affected: IC 4-13.6

Sec. 2. Those applicant contractors and designers which that receive certification board approval are prequalified for future state work to the time and classification limits set forth on the annually-renewed certificate of qualification (hereinafter called the certificate). Contractors are, additionally, qualified to perform work up to a dollar limit (maximum qualification rating) indicated on the certificate. (Indiana Department of Administration; Public Works Division Sec N,2; filed Feb 29, 1972, 4:10 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1973, p.10; filed Feb 3, 1982, 1:05 p.m.: 5 IR 517; readopted filed Nov 20, 2001, 9:30 a.m.: 25 IR 1265)

SECTION 27. 25 IAC 2-14-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

25 IAC 2-14-3 Prequalification denial; eligibility for projects under \$150,000 Authority: IC 4-13-2-9; IC 4-13.6-3-1 Affected: IC 4-13.6

Sec. 3. Those contractors which that apply for, but are denied, prequalification by the certification board are still eligible to bid or to subcontract on all public works projects valued at less than one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000); (\$150,000) unless otherwise restricted by the Public Works division. (Indiana Department of Administration; Public Works Division Sec N,3; filed Feb 29, 1972, 4:10 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1973, p.10; filed Feb 3, 1982, 1:05 p.m.: 5 IR 517; readopted filed Nov 20, 2001, 9:30 a.m.: 25 IR 1265)

SECTION 28. 25 IAC 2-15-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

25 IAC 2-15-1 Certificate of qualification required for project bids over \$150,000 Authority: IC 4-13-2-9; IC 4-13.6-3-1 Affected: IC 4-13.6; IC 5-16-1-2

Sec. 1. If a contractor intends to bid on a public works project valued in excess of **one hundred** fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000), his **(\$150,000)**, **the contractor's** bid will not be opened unless he **the contractor** currently maintains a valid certificate of prequalification (\$10,000), **the contractor's** bid will not be opened unless he **the contractor** currently maintains a valid certificate of prequalification (\$10,000), **the contractor's** bid will not be opened unless he **the contractor** currently maintains a valid certificate of prequalification (\$10,000), **the contractor's** bid will not be opened unless he **the contractor** currently maintains a valid certificate of prequalification (\$10,000), **(***Indiana Department of Administration; Public Works Division Sec O,1; filed Feb 29, 1972, 4:10 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1973, p.10; filed Feb 3, 1982, 1:05 p.m.: 5 IR 517; readopted filed Nov 20, 2001, 9:30 a.m.: 25 IR 1265)*

SECTION 29. 25 IAC 2-15-4 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

25 IAC 2-15-4 Subcontractor's prequalification Authority: IC 4-13-2-9; IC 4-13.6-3-1 Affected: IC 4-13.6; IC 5-16-1-2

Sec. 4. Subcontractors who intend to perform state work valued in excess of **one hundred** fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) (\$150,000) under a prime contractor to be awarded a state contract must be prequalified prior to before the start of the work. by the prime. They may also be required to have a "total maximum qualification rating" which exceeds the total value of all their current and pending work combined when coupled with their subcontract amount. (Indiana Department of Administration; Public Works Division Sec 0,4; filed Feb 29, 1972, 4:10 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1973, p.11; filed Feb 3, 1982, 1:05 p.m.: 5 IR 518; readopted filed Nov 20, 2001, 9:30 a.m.: 25 IR 1265)

SECTION 30. 25 IAC 2-16-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

25 IAC 2-16-2 Limited prequalification; term Authority: IC 4-13-2-9; IC 4-13.6-3-1 Affected: IC 4-13.6; IC 5-16-1-2

Sec. 2. The certification board may temporarily prequalify give limited prequalification to an applicant for any period of time from one (1) month to fifteen (15) months if circumstances suggest to the certification board that a full-term full prequalification is not appropriate. (Indiana Department of Administration; Public Works Division Sec P,2; filed Feb 29, 1972, 4:10 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1973, p. 11; readopted filed Nov 20, 2001, 9:30 a.m.: 25 IR 1265)

SECTION 31. 25 IAC 2-16-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

25 IAC 2-16-3 Prequalification expiration period; 60 day certificate extension Authority: IC 4-13-2-9; IC 4-13.6-3-1 Affected: IC 4-13.6; IC 5-16-1-2

Sec. 3. (a) If the:

(1) period of prequalification expires and no acceptable renewal materials are rendered by the expired certificate holder; or if the
(2) certificate is revoked or suspended for cause before completion of an awarded contract and no acceptable provisions are made to the contrary;

the contract may be cancelled canceled by the department. of Administration.

(b) The certification board may extend a valid certificate for a period of not more than ninety (90) sixty (60) days upon written request from the certificate holder prior to before the original expiration date justifying such the extension. The request will be acknowledged in writing and the certification board so informed at the next scheduled meeting. Only one such (1) extension may be granted for each certificate. (Indiana Department of Administration; Public Works Division Sec P,3; filed Feb 29, 1972, 4:10 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1973, p.11; filed Feb 3, 1982, 1:05 p.m.: 5 IR 519; readopted filed Nov 20, 2001, 9:30 a.m.: 25 IR 1265)

SECTION 32. 25 IAC 2-16-4 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

25 IAC 2-16-4 Prequalification application Authority: IC 4-13-2-9; IC 4-13.6-3-1 Affected: IC 4-13.6; IC 5-16-1-2

Sec. 4. Any applicants for initial prequalification shall submit a fully completed prequalification booklet" application, which is available from the Public Works division upon request. A booklet An application will be considered incomplete if:

(1) all applicable information is not supplied; or if

(2) that information rendered proves to be false;

and such the incomplete booklet application will accordingly not be considered. All applicants for prequalification should allow up to forty-five (45) days for complete review of application materials and consideration by the certification board. (Indiana Department of Administration; Public Works Division Sec P,4; filed Feb 29, 1972, 4:10 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1973, p.11; filed Feb 3, 1982, 1:05 p.m.: 5 IR 519; readopted filed Nov 20, 2001, 9:30 a.m.: 25 IR 1265)

SECTION 33. 25 IAC 2-16-5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

25 IAC 2-16-5 Effect of failure to meet qualifications Authority: IC 4-13-2-9; IC 4-13.6-3-1 Affected: IC 4-13.6

Sec. 5. Any deviation from requirements set forth in the booklet application or in this document will be critically evaluated in the consideration of the application. and either a lesser rating or revocation may be expected. (Indiana Department of Administration; Public Works Division Sec P,5; filed Feb 29, 1972, 4:10 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1973, p. 12; readopted filed Nov 20, 2001, 9:30 a.m.: 25 IR 1265)

SECTION 34. 25 IAC 2-16-7 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

25 IAC 2-16-7 Prequalification suspension; denial, revocation; sanctions; grounds Authority: IC 4-13-2-9; IC 4-13.6-3-1 Affected: IC 4-13.6; IC 5-16-1-2

Sec. 7. The **certification** board may suspend, deny, or revoke the prequalification of those applicants not complying with the stipulations of the act statute or of these regulations: this rule. Additionally, verified reports or indications of misfeasance, malfeasance, or other undesirable practices made by any reliable source (including agent or representatives of the Public Works Division as it concerns the Division's projects) or financial statements indicating instability, a precarious financial position, or poor business procedures in the eyes of the certification board shall each be further due cause for denial, revocation, or suspension of prequalification by the certification board. A certificate of qualification may be revoked or denied if the contractor:

(a) (1) fails to pay, or satisfactorily settle, all bills due to labor and material on former or existing contracts; or

(b) (2) is convicted of a violation of a state or federal law in relation to a public contract;

(c) (3) defaults on a previous contract; or

(d) (4) fails to enter into a public works implemented project contract.

Notification of such pending action will be made in writing, setting forth the grounds for the proposed certificate revocation. The action shall become final unless an appeal in writing is filed. Any appeal must be filed as prescribed hereinafter. The period of disqualification shall not exceed two (2) years. (Indiana Department of Administration; Public Works Division Sec P,7; filed Feb 29, 1972, 4:10 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1973, p.12; filed Feb 3, 1982, 1:05 p.m.: 5 IR 519; readopted filed Nov 20, 2001, 9:30 a.m.: 25 IR 1265)

SECTION 35. 25 IAC 2-16-9 IS ADDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

25 IAC 2-16-9 Fees Authority: IC 4-13-2-9; IC 4-13.6-3-1 Affected: IC 4-13.6; IC 5-16-1-2

Sec. 9. (a) The certification board shall charge and collect the following fees:

(1) For submitting an application for prequalification certification as a designer or contractor, a fee of one hundred dollars (\$100).

(2) For the renewal of prequalification certification as a designer or contractor, a fee of one hundred dollars (\$100).

(3) For an original or renewal application reviewed by the certification board in a special (nonscheduled) meeting, a fee of two hundred dollars (\$200).

(4) For submitting a request for a sixty (60) day extension, a fee of fifty dollars (\$50).

(5) For review of an application for additional categories, or reconsideration of a certification board decision concerning a specific category, a fee of fifty dollars (\$50).

(6) For issuance of a duplicate certificate, a fee of ten dollars (\$10).

(b) All fees are nonrefundable and nontransferable. (Indiana Department of Administration; 25 IAC 2-16-9)

SECTION 36. 25 IAC 2-17-7 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

Rule 17. Application of Foreign (Out-of-State) Corporations

25 IAC 2-17-7 Supplemental documentation for out-of-state corporations Authority: IC 4-13-2-9; IC 4-13.6-3-1 Affected: IC 4-13.6; IC 5-16-1-2

Sec. 7. The initial application of a corporation shall be accompanied by a certified copy of the minutes covering the election of current officers and a certified copy of the official action assigning the current authority for individuals' personal signature to contracts of the corporation, such official actions may be either a portion of the original Articles of Incorporation or some subsequent official action of the stockholders or the board of directors. If personnel or authority for individuals' personal signature are changed in any manner, the Board shall be immediately notified and furnished with certified copies of appropriate documents.

An initial application submitted by an out-of-state (foreign) corporation must be accompanied by a copy of the certificate issued by the Indiana secretary of state admitting them to do business in Indiana. Thereafter, a copy of the certificate will not be required, but:

(1) current status with the corporations division of the secretary of state's office will be checked at the time of renewal; and

(2) any foreign corporation not in good standing will not be issued a prequalification certificate even though approved by the **certification** board until good standing is verified.

(Indiana Department of Administration; Public Works Division; 25 IAC 2-17-7; filed Feb 3, 1982, 1:05 p.m.: 5 IR 522; readopted filed Nov 20, 2001, 9:30 a.m.: 25 IR 1265)

SECTION 37. 25 IAC 2-18-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

25 IAC 2-18-1 Prequalification renewal; prequalification booklet submission Authority: IC 4-13-2-9; IC 4-13.6-3-1 Affected: IC 4-13.6; IC 5-16-1-2

Sec. 1. Designers must fully complete and annually submit the **a** prequalification Booklet²⁷ for the purpose of yearly prequalification renewal. **application**. The designer applicant is urged to may supply any new informational booklets or brochures relating to the capabilities of the applicant whenever such the documents become available. However, such the supplemental materials are not to be submitted in lieu of the prequalification application. (*Indiana Department of Administration; Public Works Division Sec R, 1; filed Feb 29, 1972, 4:10 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1973, p.13; filed Feb 3, 1982, 1:05 p.m.: 5 IR 522; readopted filed Nov 20, 2001, 9:30 a.m.: 25 IR 1265)*

SECTION 38. 25 IAC 2-18-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

25 IAC 2-18-2 Certification in field of architecture; staff requirements Authority: IC 4-13-2-9; IC 4-13.6-3-1 Affected: IC 4-13.6

Sec. 2. Designers will receive certification in the field of architecture only if a professional architect currently registered as such in Indiana is:

(1) employed at least thirty (30) hours each week by the applicant firm; and is

(2) listed in that capacity in the prequalification booklet. application.

The architect on whose qualifications certification is to be granted must also be shown as the architect in charge of at least three (3) five (5) projects listed in the experience data portion of the booklet. (Indiana Department of Administration; Public Works Division Sec R,2; filed Feb 29, 1972, 4:10 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1973, p.13; filed Feb 3, 1982, 1:05 p.m.: 5 IR 522; readopted filed Nov 20, 2001, 9:30 a.m.: 25 IR 1265)

SECTION 39. 25 IAC 2-18-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

25 IAC 2-18-3 Certification in fields of professional engineering; certification in related nonlicensed fields Authority: IC 4-13-2-9; IC 4-13.6-3-1 Affected: IC 4-13.6

Sec. 3. Certification will be granted only in those fields of engineering in which the applicant designer indicates that an Indiana registered professional (PE) is:

(1) working at least thirty (30) hours a week as an employee of the applicant; and who is

(2) shown as the engineer in charge of at least three (3) five (5) projects listed in the experience data portion of the booklet. application.

Resumes or experience data outlines for each Designer will be accepted in lieu of the requirement that each must be listed as the architect or engineer in charge as specified in Section 2 and 3 above (25 IAC 2-18-2) and this section. Such information must show explicitly the specialties for which the applicant firm is requesting certification.

Applicant designers may be certified for more than one classification when elassifications are closely related, i.e., Sanitary Engineering and Waste Water Engineering, or when one classification does not require licensing, i.e., Interior Design, or when one classification is Photogrammetry, or when the firm shows overwhelming evidence of the capability to satisfactorily handle classification combinations other than those previously mentioned. (Indiana Department of Administration; Public Works Division Sec R,3; filed Feb 29, 1972, 4:10 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1973, p.13; filed Feb 3, 1982, 1:05 p.m.: 5 IR 522; readopted filed Nov 20, 2001, 9:30 a.m.: 25 IR 1265)

SECTION 40. 25 IAC 2-18-4 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

25 IAC 2-18-4 Certification of other nonlicensed fields Authority: IC 4-13-2-9; IC 4-13.6-3-1 Affected: IC 4-13.6

Sec. 4. For those professional areas which that are not registered in Indiana, but which that are certified by the certification board, the applicant designer must show a full time an employee with a minimum of thirty (30) hours each week in each such field with sufficient training and adequate experience to satisfy the certification board that certification should be granted. (Indiana Department of Administration; Public Works Division Sec R,4; filed Feb 29, 1972, 4:10 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1973, p.13; filed Feb 3, 1982, 1:05 p.m.: 5 IR 523; readopted filed Nov 20, 2001, 9:30 a.m.: 25 IR 1265)

SECTION 41. THE FOLLOWING ARE REPEALED: 25 IAC 2-9-4; 25 IAC 2-15-2; 25 IAC 2-15-3; 25 IAC 2-15-5; 25 IAC 2-16-1; 25 IAC 2-17-1; 25 IAC 2-17-2; 25 IAC 2-17-3; 25 IAC 2-17-4; 25 IAC 2-17-5; 25 IAC 2-17-6.

Notice of Public Hearing

Under IC 4-22-2-24, notice is hereby given that on February 28, 2006 at 1:30 p.m., at the Indiana Government Center-South, 402 West Washington Street, Public Works Bid Room W467, Indianapolis, Indiana the Indiana Department of Administration will hold a public hearing on amendments to 25 IAC 2 to include, but may not be limited to, changes to the duties of the public works division, a designer's bidding duty, the threshold for prequalification, application for prequalification approval, criteria for bidding, the bidding process, nonpayment of subcontractors, the Certification Board and purposes of the Certification Board, prequalification procedures and requirements, bid acceptance, application of foreign corporations, application of designers, qualifications for certification in architecture, professional engineering, and nonlicensed fields, fees for submission, renewal, extension, and reconsideration of an application for prequalification, and technical or clarifying corrections.

The Department of Administration has authority to adopt these rules under IC 4-13-2-9 and IC 4-13.6-3-1. These revisions are of a technical nature and none of the proposed changes should have an economic impact beyond what is already imposed by the existing rules.

Copies of these rules are now on file at the Indiana Government Center-South, 402 West Washington Street, Room W479 and Legislative Services Agency, One North Capitol, Suite 325, Indianapolis, Indiana and are open for public inspection.

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