SUBJECT: 1. Modifications to the Project Specific Standard Front End. Changes are effective immediately and are to be incorporated on all projects.

ITEM 1  Bid security – Bank Drafts and Money Orders

DTI now accepts Bank Drafts and Money Orders as bid security on projects estimated under $500,000. The front end of the project specific specifications has been modified at various locations to reflect the changes as follow:

a) Spec section 00 11 17, paragraph 1.1.9 has been modified  
b) Spec section 00 11 18, paragraph 1.1.9 has been modified  
c) Spec section 00 41 14, paragraph 1.1.3 has been modified  
d) Spec section 00 41 44, paragraph 1.1.4 has been modified  
e) Spec section 00 21 14, paragraph 1.6.2 has been modified  
f) Spec section 00 21 14, paragraph 1.6.5 has been modified  
g) Spec section 00 21 14 paragraph 1.7.3 has been modified  
h) Spec section 00 21 14, paragraph 1.7.4 has been modified

ITEM 2  Location of DTI Standard Specification Document

The website address for the STANDARD SPECIFICATION DOCUMENT has changed and the instructions on downloading the information has changed. Spec section 00 11 17 paragraph 1.2.2 and Spec section 00 11 18 paragraph 1.2.2 have been modified.

ITEM 3  Bid Depository Security Clarification

DTI require that sub-contractors bidding through Bid Depository write the bid bond to the “successful Prime Contractor”. Spec section 00 21 14 paragraph 1.5.2 has been modified.

ITEM 4  Roof Guarantee

Spec section 00 41 14 paragraph 1.7.2 has been updated to reflect changes required by DTI's Bulletin #8, and spec note was modified.
ITEM 5  Underground private service mains serving sprinkler systems

DTI has made clarifications with respect to underground private service mains serving sprinkler systems and fire hydrants.
   a) Spec section 00 21 14 – a specification note was added before paragraph 1.4.4, requiring consultants to refer relevant divisions to article 1.4.
   b) Spec section 00 21 14 paragraph 1.4.4.6 has been modified.

ITEM 6  Reminder of previous DTI changes

DTI has made minor changes to the front end over the past year but a bulletin was not issued. Please be reminded that:
   a) Spec section 00 11 17 paragraph 1.1.1: time of bid closing must include minutes and seconds as follow: “2:00:00 p.m.”
   b) Spec section 00 11 18 paragraph 1.1.1: time of bid closing must include minutes and seconds as follow: “14 h 0 min 0 s”
   c) Spec section 00 11 17 paragraph 1.1.2, and item 1.1.3: fax number was added at the end of the paragraph.
   d) Spec section 00 11 18 paragraph 1.1.2 and item 1.1.3: fax number was added at the end of the paragraph.
   e) Spec section 00 21 14 paragraph 1.2.1.2: postal code was modified to read: “E3B 5H8”.
   f) Spec section 00 21 14 paragraph 1.6.3: order of items was modified and item 7 was added.

ITEM 7  Miscellaneous changes

   a) Section 00 41 14 TENDER FORM “F”, paragraph 1.1.3.1 revise: “…in article 1.6.3.6…” to read: “…in article [1.6.3.2]…”
   b) Section 00 41 44 TENDER FORM “F”-UNIT PRICES, paragraph 1.1.4 revise: “… in article 1.6.3.6…” to read: “…in article [1.6.3.2]…”.
   c) Section 00 21 14 PROJECT SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS, paragraph 1.3.1 revise: “Crown Construction Contracts Act” to read: “Standard Crown Construction Contracts”.
   d) Section 01 00 01 PROJECT SPECIFIC GENERAL REQUIREMENTS, paragraph 1.8.1.1 Hoarding, revise: “with chain link fence” to read: “with chain link or welded wire mesh fence (9 gauge minimum)”