

# PRE-BID INTERPRETATION No. 1

Date: June 03, 2025
To: All Plan Holders

Project: LDC MHSU Central Hub (BidCentral # 2025-003165)

**Bid Calling Authority: Interior Health** 

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As allowed under Rule 1. F. Pre-Bid Interpretations, we are hereby issuing the following clarification to all plan holders. Unless defined herein the Standard Exclusions will apply; General Contractors are responsible to include all work that may be excluded from a BidCentral Online Bidding for Subcontractor's (BOBS) Bid as they deem necessary. This document does not imply a requirement to include work not specified.

#### **Rules of Procedure for BOBS & Resources**

BOBS is governed by The Rules of Procedure. They are available <a href="here">here</a>. Further help resources are available <a href="here">here</a>.

#### All BOBS Bidders - Bid Submission Process

To submit a BOBS bid, use the BOBS Wizard, which can be accessed through the BOBS Active Project Listings at <a href="https://www.bidcentral.ca/bobs">www.bidcentral.ca/bobs</a>.

<u>E-bonds</u> are accepted *only* on the BOBS Appendix C, Bond Form and electronically signed and sealed by a provider meeting the criteria and intent of the language provided <u>here</u> and refer to the Rules 3(F) for further information on bonding.

<u>Pre-bid interpretations:</u> Per Rule 1. F. Pre-Bid Interpretations, it is the User's responsibility to ensure that they have checked for and are aware of any Pre-Bid Interpretations that may have been issued, which can be accessed through the BOBS Active Project Listings at <a href="https://www.bidcentral.ca/bobs">www.bidcentral.ca/bobs</a> and the BidCentral project listing.

#### **BOBS Closing Date and Time**

BOBS will close at 3:00 p.m. local time, two (2) working days prior to the general contractor's bid closing, which, as of the date of this pre-bid interpretation, is scheduled for *June 23, 2025 at 3:00 p.m*.

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#### **BID CONTENT**

## Mechanical

This Bid shall include Division 21, Division 22 and Division 23. Appendix A, Standard Exclusions shall apply; General Contractors shall include for the work as they deem necessary.

## **Electrical**

This Bid shall include Division 26, Division 27, and Division 28. Appendix A, Standard Exclusions shall apply; General Contractors shall include for the work as they deem necessary.

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## **Notice of Webinar**

BCCA and SICA are hosting a webinar to provide an overview of how BOBS and bid depository works. It will be specific to this project, LDC MHSU Central Hub. The session will walk through the BOBS Bid submission process on the BOBS platform and offer guidance for both general and trade contractors using the system.

Date: June 12, 2025 at 10:00 am PT

Click here to register.

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A recording will be made available and distributed via a pre-bid interpretation.

#### It will cover:

- What BOBS is, how it works, and why it benefits tendering for trades and general contractors
- What general contractors need to do, including how to access submitted bids
- The steps trade contractors must follow to submit their BOBS bids to general Contractors.

There is no limit on the number of attendees per firm. All interested parties are welcome to attend.

General Contractors are encouraged to forward this notice to all mechanical and electrical contractors to whom they have invited to quote.

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# **General Contractors Registration:**

General Contractors must confirm their GC Intention to Bid no later than two (2) Working Days (to the hour) prior to the BOBS closing date and time as per the requirements in the BOBS Rules of Procedure. To confirm a GCs Intention to Bid, use the BOBS Wizard, which can be accessed through the BOBS Active Project Listings at <a href="https://www.bidcentral.ca/bobs">www.bidcentral.ca/bobs</a>. For the purposes of registration, use the BidCentral number noted above.

When registering you will provide your contact information for communications and receiving the BOBS Bids via their BidCentral Bids Portal. At the time of registration, you must declare and identify any BOBS trades that your firm will be Bidding Own Forces. Each General Contractor will receive a notification to the provided email address to access their BOBS Bids via a secure unique link after BOBS closing. This secure link will take them to their Bids Portal which will be available through that BidCentral account.

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All Plan Holders should ensure that copies of this Pre-Bid Interpretation are forwarded to all those to whom they have issued copies of the project documents.