

QUESTION AND ANSWERS FOR:

RFB # 16-38, 9/8/16

FOR TUBULAR STEEL STRUCTURES

1. What is the width of the grip on the vibratory hammer?
 - a. This equipment selection is determined by the installation contractor at time of bid. 12" Wide driving ears are specified as a minimum.
2. The heights provided for the custom structures appear to be the above ground height only while the height provided for the class poles seem to be the overall length. Will you please confirm this assumption?
 - a. The majority of the poles are Vibratory slip fit caissons...as referenced via specific heading in the proposal pages. The six (6) engineered structures specified with Vibratory FLANGE CONNECTED base coincide with Schedule 2. These structures are designed to be 2' above grade. Their foundations are listed in Schedule 2.
3. It appears the overall pole size/taper will be dependent of the required Vibratory Caisson width. This may result is structures exceeding the RUS Standard Class loadings. Please acknowledge.
 - a. Yes, this may be and is often the case. Vibratory Caisson width is governed by soil conditions. This method of construction is typical for GUC. The RUS Standard Class loadings are minimum. Please provide bids to exactly what is requested within the proposal pages. However, additional alternative vibratory caisson methods/designs may be provided for consideration to provide the most economical means to meet GUC's minimum requirements.
4. May Bidder's not currently on the approved bid list respond to this RFP?
 - a. Yes. Bidders who have not been pre-approved by GUC and their Engineer, Booth & Associates, shall submit under separate correspondence to GUC and Booth and Associates a qualifications package giving company background, experience, and references related to similar projects successfully completed.
5. Are PLS-Pole .lca and .bak files available for engineered structures?
 - a. Yes. These files are posted on GUC's website alongside the RFB.
6. Are proposal pages available in Excel format?
 - a. No. However; a word format document is available.
7. Is a copy of the Technical Specifications available in a searchable PDF?
 - a. Yes.