

- (viii) Bidders are not compelled to quote the same price to all General Contractors.
- (ix) Written advice concerning amendments by reduction or addition to a Trade Contractor's bid sum may be submitted to the Bid Depository provided such advice is received and recorded **PRIOR** to the Bid Depository closing time. Amendments for other required information including separate/alternate/unit prices are acceptable. Changes to separate/alternate/unit prices should indicate the amount of the new price (an addition to or deduction from a price already submitted is not necessary). Such amendments must be addressed to the Bid Depository that received the original Schedule C bid and must clearly indicate the project and the General Contractors concerned. In cases where the amendment applies to more than one General Contractor, copies of the amendment shall be made by the Bid Depository Administrator for delivery to the General Contractor along with the bid originally deposited. Copies shall be retained by the Bid Depository. Bidders will be charged an [amendment fee](#).
- (x) Bids shall not be altered or amended in any way after Bid Depository closing time.
- (xi) If the existence or absence of labour relations certifications and/or collective agreements of a Trade Contractor preclude the ability of the General Contractor from contracting with that Trade Contractor, then that General Contractor is not required to use that Trade Contractor's bid.
- (xii) When a product or system within a Trade specification is the exclusive franchise of one Bidder and such product or system is specified with no equivalent or alternate being accepted, then Bidders of that section or division will bid that section as a single bid, and will not combine the bid for that section or division with any other related section.
- (xiii) All prices submitted through the Bid Depository are to be quoted on a "**GST EXCLUDED**" basis.
- (xiv) Unless otherwise specified, all bids submitted through Bid Depository are subject to the use of the **BCCA No. 200 Subcontract** and when published, CCA – 1 (2001, or later) Sub Contract or as amended by mutual agreement of the parties to the contract.

D. Bid Withdrawal

- (i) Bids may be withdrawn up to twenty four (24) hours prior to the tender closing for General Contractors by written notification from the Trade Contractor to the Bid Depository and all General Contractors to whom the Trade Contractor has bid. Withdrawals are not permitted after the twenty four (24) hour deadline. Bidders that have withdrawn their bids are no longer, under any circumstances, eligible to be selected for use by General Contractors. The responsibility of proof, of the time of the effective withdrawal, rests with the bidder.
- (ii) When the Bid Depository is specified for projects where there is a single recipient of bids (i.e.: preselected Prime Contractor or Management Contract) the withdrawal period shall be within twenty four (24) hours of Bid Depository closing time and the procedure shall be as specified in Rule III 3.D.(i).

- (iii) When a Bidder has submitted bids for individual sections or divisions and also combined bids, and wishes to withdraw a bid for one or more of those individual sections or divisions, then the Bidder must withdraw the individual bid and any combined bids that include that individual section or division. If any combined bids are withdrawn then all bids for any individual sections or divisions and/or combined bids included in that combined bid must also be withdrawn.
- (iv) Bidders will be charged a [withdrawal fee](#).

E. Omission of a Bid to a General Contractor

When, for reasons that could not have been reasonably anticipated, a Trade Contractor has missed bidding to a General Contractor to whom the Trade Contractor wished to bid, the following process applies:

- (i) The Trade Contractor shall, not later than one (1) Working Day, to the hour, after the Bid Depository closing send written notification to the Bid Depository, reading as follows: "We missed bidding to Contractor "B" on "X" project. Please consider our bid addressed to Contractor "A" as if it were submitted to Contractor "B" (Signed) Trade Contractor", AND
- (ii) The Trade Contractor shall, after sending the written notification to the Bid Depository, advise Contractor "B" in writing, confirmation of the bid submitted to Contractor "A".

F. Bonding

- (i) Unless otherwise stipulated in the specifications, all deposited bids over the amounts described in Rule III 3.F.(ii) must be accompanied by an original Bid Bond which meets the following criteria:
 - (a) The Bid Bond must be issued by a licensed surety company authorized to transact the business of surety in the Province of British Columbia.
 - (b) It must be issued in the approved [BCCA No. 204](#) - effective July 1, 1994 Bid Bond format, as contained in Appendix D of these Rules of Procedure. When the Bid is being submitted to a single Bid recipient where the obligee of the bond is a party other than the 'Successful General Contractor', bidders shall use the CCDC 220 Bid Bond Form.
 - (c) The Bid Bond shall name as obligee, the Successful General Contractor.
 - (d) No other form of bid security shall be accepted by Bid Depositories.
 - (e) The Bid Bond shall be in the amount of ten percent (10%) of bid price and not a dollar amount.
 - (f) The original Bid Bond must be signed and duly sealed by both the Trade Contractor and the surety company.
 - (g) Bidders submitting bonds that contain irregularities or that are inconsistent with the requirements of these Rules may submit fully