



U.S. Department
of Transportation
**Federal Highway
Administration**

Memorandum

Subject: **ACTION:** Best-Value Contractor Selection Concept
Approval under Special Experimental Project No. 14
Innovative Contracting Practices (SEP-14)

Date: October 28, 2003

/Signed By:/

From: Dwight A. Horne
Director, Office of Program Administration

In Reply Refer To:
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To: Mr. Jonathan McDade
Division Administrator
Augusta, Maine

This is reference to Ms. Maria Drozd's October 23, 2003, e-mail message that transmitted a copy of an SEP-14 work plan for the best-value selection of a contractor for the replacement of the Route 1 bridge over the Penobscot River.

The Maine Department of Transportation's (MDOT) work plan is approved as requested. On October 21, 2003, Mr. Gerald Yakowenko of my office gave tentative verbal approval for the release of the request for proposal document, subject to the clarifications noted in his October 20, 2003, e-mail message. This issue was satisfactorily addressed in the revised documents submitted with your October 23, 2003, e-mail message. Thank you for working with MDOT to resolve our concerns.

This project is approved as requested for inclusion under SEP-14. Should you have any questions, please contact Gerald Yakowenko at (202) 366-1562.

