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QUESTIONS ON BID DOCUMENTS (QBD)

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Project: PIER 80 MOORING AND BERTHING

IMPROVEMENTS

Contract No. 2871

To: Port of San Francisco

Pier 1

San Francisco, CA 94111 Phone: (415) 274-0526 Attention: **Noel Aquino**

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	CONTRACTOR'S	S QUESTIONS			
Company Name:	Vortex Marine Construction, Inc.		Date _	4/11/25	
Contact Name:	Edwin Enriquez		Tel:	510-261-2400	
Title:	Senior Estimator		Fax:	510-261-2444	
Check One Only (Use separate form for each specifications and drawing question.)					
Spec. Section	: Paragraph(s):				
∑ Drawing Shee	et: S-003, S-601	Detail(s):			
Question: We respectfully request a revision to the plans and specifications to allow for core drilling of the fender anchors, as we have identified a conflict in the process: Currently the specifications call for mapping of the rebar prior to fabrication or drilling. However, for the rebar to be mapped, the timber fender system will have to be removed in its entirety to allow access to the concrete beam face. As the current rebar mapping technology only reaches 12" into concrete, there will not be a reliable way to ensure that rebar is not encountered while drilling the anchor holes, which would likely occur deep in the holes. Furthermore, as the fender system components are long lead time items, orders will need to be placed immediately upon award of the contract, and the drilled holes for the mounting hardware will have to align with the holes in the hardware itself.					
By utilizing coring, the same mapping can be used as best efforts to avoid rebar, with reliable results once the process begins. This would ensure minimal delay to reinstallation of the fender system. It should also be noted that the proposed enoxy system by Simpson.					

Noel A. Port of SF

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specifically allows core-drilled hole with no reduction in the tension load versus drilled holes

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SEE RESPONSE ON PAGE 2

(see attachment)

RESPONSE:

Port will not modify plans and specs to allow for coring. The selected contractor can request and demonstrate that coring is a viable option during construction and must also receive approval from the affected manufacturers that they will accept core drilled holes.