

**DETERMINATION DECISION MEMO**

**RE-WIRE PUMPKIN LIGHTS**

**Project Number:** D.G.S. 948- 78 Ph. 2

**Contract Number:** .4

**Project Location:** Harrisburg, Dauphin County

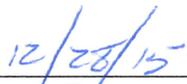
**DETERMINATION REGARDING THE USE OF THE  
REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP) METHOD OF PROCUREMENT**

The use of the standard competitive sealed bid method of procurement for the electrical contract on the \$800,000 project to re-wire the historically significant “pumpkin ball” lighting within the Capital is not practical or advantageous to the Commonwealth. The scope of work encompasses for re-wiring the historic interior lighting within the Capital. Specifically, the scope involves:

- Disassembling, cleaning and re-wiring over 400 existing lights throughout the Capital building that have an “X” appear through the crystal with LED lights that maintain the historic appearance of the existing lamps.
- Due to the historic nature of the adjacent historic elements, the work will be performed under the guidance and advice of a conservator.
- A Final Report will be required to document the before and after conditions, including a Lap Log to document energy savings.
- Since there will not be a job trailer, the work will require daily scheduling of deliveries in to and out of the occupied spaces of the Capital.

The above factors demonstrate the unique and particular construction considerations for this project, which requires specific contractor knowledge, skill and experience to complete the project work successfully and to expedite the construction schedule. Consequently, it is not practical or advantageous for the Commonwealth to use the competitive sealed bidding process to procure contractors because the low bid approach does not allow the Commonwealth to consider these specific and particular factors presented herein, in conjunction with cost, during the procurement process.

  
Deputy Secretary for Public Works

  
Date