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SUBJECT: Statewide Blanket Proprietary Item Request for Primavera Project Enterprise
Version, P6 7.0 or later version, scheduling software.

This memo is to request a blanket proprietary item approval allowing, “Primavera Project
Enterprise Version, P6 7.0 or later version” schedule software to be required as part of the
General Special Provision (GSP) Type C Progress Schedule. This request is for the period from
July 1, 2013 thru June 30, 2015 and replaces the existing proprietary item approval for Primavera,
dated May 13, 2011.

It is essential that we make the most efficient use of the workforce. We have investigated project
management, control and reporting best practices in use worldwide that can help us better manage
our project time, costs and risks. This statewide effort performed by the Statewide Project
Management Group (SPMG) recommended the use of a suite of tools that support project
management activities such as cost and document management, workflow and schedule
development. Based on the requirements of the agency and the decision to implement these
industry best practices, Primavera was determined to be the best value.

Our request is to specify this scheduling product for use only in our more complex construction
projects to create consistency within the department and the contracting community. This
consistency will reduce costs in the long run associated with training staff and increased
production thus saving money and being in the public’s best interest.

We will soon start the 13-15 biennium, and would like to continue using the updated version of
Primavera as the scheduling software tool. This requirement will be utilized only on construction
contracts that are complex with numerous tasks and activities, or extend over multiple
construction seasons. The construction projects that would qualify for this requirement are
relatively few in number compared to the overall number of WSDOT contracts. In order to include
this requirement in the contract, we are requesting your certification for the use of Primavera
Project Enterprise Version P6 7.0 or later, in accordance with the requirements of 23 CFR 635.411(a)(2).

I, Pasco Bakotich, State Design Engineer, of the Washington State Department of Transportation, do hereby certify, in accordance with the requirements of 23 CFR 635.411(a)(2), that this product is necessary for synchronization with existing systems and that no equally suitable alternative exists for this patented or proprietary item.

Pasco Bakotich  

Date: 6/20/13

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cc: Anthony Sarhan

May 19, 2009