## 1.0 BASE BID TENDERS

## 1.1 <u>APPROVED EQUALS</u>

\_Materials and equipment are specifically described and named in specification to establish a standard of materials and workmanship to which the bidders shall strictly adhere.

Should the supplier wish to apply for approval of materials other than specified, he must submit the following information 5 days prior to the closing of th bids.

- .1 Description of product and name of manufacturer.
- .2 Names and addresses of five recent projects in which his product has been installed.
- .3 Names and addresses of Consultants and General Contractors for the project if requested
- .4 Full scale sample of the product is requested
- .5 List of details which do not meet the standard requirements of the base specifications.
- 1.2 If requested, arrange for a representative of the Owner together with the Consultant, to visit the installations listed.
- 1.3 Irrespective of "Approved Equal Status ", Contractors are encouraged to offer alternative suggestions on the Tender Form, Section 00300, Item 7 "Proposal of Time and Alternatives ". Such alternate work and amounts are not to be included in the stipulated price.
- 1.4 Where the Contractor has received the Consultant's approval for the equivalent, and the Contractor implements the equivalent into the work performed, the Contractor shall be responsible for all details of installation including product size, arrangement, fit, colour, etc., and maintenance of all required clearances. The Contractor shall prepare and submit revised layouts to indicate arrangement of all affected surrounding equipment, etc. Failure by the Contractor to provide such drawings will be considered that the original arrangements, and space allocations are adequate.

All additional costs associated with equivalent products such as revisions to surrounding architectural finishes, structural components, or the need for larger motor starters, larger power feeders, space revisions to the associated product, equipment, controls, etc. shall be included in the Tender price.

- 1.5 "Equal "shall mean "as considered by the Consultant to be suitable for this project "and is not meant to imply "identical".
- 1.6 Equivalents which are submitted after the closing of Tenders will not be considered.
- 1.8 The Consultant reserves the right to accept or reject proposed equivalents as he sees fit, and also to claim for the Owner, the financial benefit of a substitution, if a substitute is accepted. The Consultant does not become obligated to give any reason for his action due to a rejection.

END OF SECTION