



**Emergency Purchase Number:** EA16-02

**Office/Division:** Department of Transportation Division of Highways

**Address:** PO Box 100  
Carbondale IL 62901

Chief Procurement Officer: Bill Grunloh

**Vendor:** E.T. Simonds Construction

**Address:** PO Box 2107  
Carbondale IL 62902

Estimated Cost: \$800,000.00

**Final Cost:** \$452,234.88

This expenditure is justified as:

- An emergency involving public health.
- An emergency involving public safety.
- Necessary to protect State property from further loss or damage.
- Necessary to prevent or minimize serious disruption in State services.
- Necessary to insure integrity of State records.
- Quick purchase as provided by Section 20-30 (d) of the Illinois Procurement Code.

The conditions and circumstances requiring this emergency expenditure are:

The emergency purchase is requested for the Interstate 24 Bridge over the Ohio River in Massac County. This major river crossing has an average daily traffic count in excess of 25,000. During the summer of 2014 a new bituminous wearing surface was constructed over the existing water proffing membrane system. For unknown reasons the new wearing surface started debonding primarily along the centerline. These debonded areas has created large pot holes to a depth that is dangerous to the traveling public and is compromising the existing concrete deck. Temporary pathcing has been completed by operation forces. Due to the large number of existing temporary patches and potential patches an emergency contract is requested. To complicate matters, an existing bearing replacement contract has been executed with lane closures expected in late October of this year on this structure.

For this reason time is critical to patch all failures prior to the bearing replacement and winter season. This District is very concerned that without this contract additional failures will occur creating additional traffic hazards.

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The following contractors were contacted to provide informal bids:

E.T. Simonds Construction	bid amount \$488,732.00
Sierra Bravo Contractors	bid amount \$624,658.88
Halverson Construction	bid amount \$690,165.00

The low bid was: E.T. Simonds \$488,732.00