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ADDENDUM NO. 03

Your reference is directed to RFX No. 3000021227 for the Request for Proposal (RFP) for the Division of Administration (DOA) – Office of Technology Services (OTS) to furnish Metro Dense Wavelength Division Multiplexing (DWDM), which is currently scheduled to open at 10:00 a.m. (CT) on July 11, 2023.

The Proposer’s written inquiries received by the inquiry deadline date of June 5, 2023 and the State’s responses are included on the attached page numbers 3 – 4.

All else remains as on original Request for Proposal.

THIS ADDENDUM IS HEREBY OFFICIALLY MADE A PART OF THE REFERENCED SOLICITATION.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT: If you have already submitted your proposal and this Addendum does not cause you to revise your proposal, you should acknowledge receipt of this Addendum by identifying your business name and by signing where indicated. You may return this Acknowledgement by mail, by hand delivery, or courier to: Office of State Procurement, 1201 N. 3rd Street, Claiborne Building- Ste. 2-160, Baton Rouge, LA 70802, or by fax to: (225) 342- 9756. The State reserves the right to request a completed Acknowledgement at any time. Failure to execute an acknowledgement shall not relieve the proposer from complying with the terms of its proposal.

Addendum Acknowledged/No changes:

For: _____ By: _____

REVISION: If you have already submitted your proposal and this Addendum requires you to revise your proposal, you must indicate any change(s) below, identify your business name and sign where shown. Revisions shall be delivered prior to proposal opening by mail, by hand delivery or courier to: Office of State Procurement, 1201 N. 3rd Street, Claiborne Building- Ste. 2-160, Baton Rouge, LA 70802, and indicate the RFX number and the proposal opening date and time on the outside of the envelope for proper identification, or by fax to: (225) 342-9756. Electronic transmissions other than by fax are not being accepted at this time.

Revisions received after proposal opening shall not be considered and you shall be held to your original proposal.

Revision:

For: _____ By: _____

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Written Inquiries
RFP Metro DWDM
Solicitation No. 3000021227
File Number: T 92825

Proposer's Inquiry #1:

I see that y'all are having a COVID Crisis, so just confirming we need to submit online via those instructions in the addendum, rather than, submitting in person via binders like last time?

State's Response #1:

Proposers may choose to submit their RFP response either completely online or by submitting a hard copy either by mail or delivered by hand or courier service.

Proposer's Inquiry #2:

One of the copies for submission you want redacted, what exactly needs to be redacted?

State's Response #2:

The Proposer should submit a redacted copy of its proposal if the Proposer's response contains confidential information.

Proposer's Inquiry #3:

Is it ok to provide a bid response for just the DWDM equipment and it's associated engineering/installation? We would not provide a bid for the fiber optic circuits connecting the buildings.

State's Response #3:

The Proposer must meet all mandatory requirements in Section 3 and quote rates for all items in Section 4.1.1.

Proposer's Inquiry #4:

Also curious why this bid is being rebid?

State's Response #4:

This is being rebid due to the amount from the only responsive bidder on the previous RFP exceeding the agency's estimated budget for this procurement.

Proposer's Inquiry #5:

RFP Section 6.0, Contractual Terms and Conditions:
May Proposers submit exceptions to the RFP's terms and conditions, and/or provide supplemental terms and conditions for the State's consideration in order to align the final contract with the Proposer's solution?

State's Response #5:

The State will review/consider exceptions requested of the Proposer. However, the Proposer should note that some terms and conditions are non-negotiable and may result in the Proposer's proposal being deemed administratively or technically flawed.

Proposer's Inquiry #6:

3.3 Implementation Service Provision Requirements:

At what point during the System Migration phase does the State accept the services as delivered and billable? Once the contractor delivers, tests, and certifies the circuits, as provided in section 3.3.3? Otherwise please provide what is required for the circuit to be considered complete and billable.

State's Response #6:

The State will accept services as delivered and billable once the circuit is turned up, connected to State's equipment and tested with State engineers, and all technical requirements have been met.