Section 1 –General Information				
RFR Number: (Reference BPO Number)	R00B4400024			
Functional Area (Enter One Only)	Functional Area 10 - IT Management Consulting Services			
Position Title/s or Service Type/s (Short term staff or PMP)				
Labor Category No. 81 Senior Network Engineer (Each Master Contractor can submit up to two (2) candidates for the RFR)				
Anticipated start date	November 2013			
Duration of assignment	Up to Six Months			
Designated Small Business Reserve?(SBR): (Enter "Yes" or "No")	No			
MBE goal, if applicable	0% zero)
Issue Date: mm/dd/yyyy	09/16/ 2013	Due Date: mm/dd/yyyy Time (EST): 00:00 am/pm	10/07/ 2 2:00 pm	
Place of Performance:	Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE) 200 West Baltimore Street, Baltimore, MD 21201			
Special Instructions: (e.g. interview information, attachments, etc.)	Interviews will be conducted by a panel of three or more persons using a standardized set of interview questions.			
Security Requirements (if applicable):	Pass reference checks			
Invoicing Instructions:	Invoices will be submitted monthly for the duration of the task order. Invoices shall comply with all requirements in Section 2.8 of the CATS II Master Contract RFP.			
Section 2 – Agency Point of Contact (POC) Information				
Agency / Division Name:	Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE) Office of Information Technology (OIT)			
Agency POC Name:	Deborah G. Harris Procurement Officer	Agency P Phone Nu		410-767-0118
Agency POC Email Address:	dharris@msde.state.md.us	Agency P Fax:	OC	410-333-8723
Agency POC Mailing Address:	200 West Baltimore Stree Baltimore, MD 21201	t		

Section 3 – Scope of Work

Background

The cornerstone of the Maryland State Department of Education Office of Information Management (MSDE OIT) is its ability to meet its customer service commitments by providing access to stored information, maintaining information technology systems, and ensuring the integrity and confidentiality of information and the associated timely availability of systems to authorized users.

The OIT is located in downtown Baltimore, at 200 West Baltimore Street, Baltimore Maryland 21201. MSDE provides management and support services for the local and wide area network design, security and performance of its enterprise network, including connectivity to five MSDE data center locations and fourteen Child Care Administration Offices across the State.

The OIT is also responsible for maintaining network printers, websites and custom applications, including video conferencing, and Internet connectivity. The network infrastructure uses a combination of Cisco switches, routers, load balancers, firewalls, radius servers, intrusion detection and monitoring systems. The OIT places high expectations upon its staff in terms of supporting and maintaining high-performance network systems and providing expert resolution to problems. Due to the growth of systems supported by OIT, limited resources currently available, recruitment efforts, and skill-sets of the existing staff, the need for senior network support resource has increased.

MSDE information system infrastructure plays a vital role in supporting business processes, customer services, contributing to operational and strategic business decisions, and in conforming to legal and statutory requirements.

The Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE) Office of Information Technology (OIT) is issuing this CATS II RFR to obtain up to four (4) senior network support resources to manage/support OIT's Local Area Network (LAN), Wide Area Network services (WAN) and related network administration tasks.

	Job Description/s
Position Title/s or Service Type/s (From Section 1 Above)	Duties / Responsibilities
Position (s) Title: Senior Network	The TO Contractor FTE will be involved in highly
Engineer	technical work of considerable difficulty and shall support connectivity to all MSDE data center locations using Cisco
Labor Category 81. Senior Network Engineer	Content Switches, Cisco ASA firewalls/concentrators, Cisco Wireless Access Points, Cisco Managed Switches and Routers, and network monitoring systems. The TO Contractor FTE must have in-depth level of routing, switching, and network security knowledge and experience.

In addition to designing and managing the WAN configuration, this resource shall use software for evaluation loads, uptime, and intrusion detection tools. The following are additional roles and responsibilities:

- 1. Implement security releases, network upgrades, and operation of Local, Wide Area Networks, Network systems software, and CISCO hardware.
- 2. Provide quality up-time performance of Internet Services, LAN/WAN protocols, design, operations, management, and control.
- 3. Maintain firewalls at all MSDE sites and Microsoft VPN connectivity.
- 4. Maintain local wireless virtual networks and the Enterprise to the State's Network Maryland initiative.
- 5. Design and Implement and test a Remote Business Continuance solution of critical applications.
- 6. Design and Implement RSA Security Solution ®, MSDE for VPN users and Network Administrators.
- 7. Preferred understanding of Federal **HIPAA** Regulations & Standards.
- 8. Comprehend complex verbal and written instructions in English.
- 9. Analyze user needs and design effective PC/LAN/WAN solutions.
- 10. Solve problems and ensure effective operations of the networks and hardware.
- 11. Perform long range capacity planning; make configuration, enhancement and security recommendations.
- 12. Document various support process such as: Restart procedures, Review of logfiles, actions taken, and new processes.
- 13. Train MSDE network specialists to perform daily support functions, and to verify network conditions.
- 14. Manage a highly available WAN configuration, which includes, but is not limited to Cisco fail-over firewall configurations and Hot Standby Router Protocol (HSRP) Configurations

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15.	Manage and Configure Cisco ASA® solutions
16.	Administer VLAN technologies, including HSRP MSFC configurations
17.	Design, certify, implement and administer a wireless VLAN, using 802.11x technologies
18.	Install and manage secure access using Cisco ASA VPN termination. Configuration efforts also to include client-to-site and site-to-site connectivity
19.	Execute vulnerability assessments and network penetration tests, using third party tools
20.	Provide management, with high-level analysis of all vulnerability tests and reports
21.	Manage a multi-site Cisco firewall, router, and switched network at all five Data Center locations, including such technologies as: EIGRP, OSPF, and BGP
22.	Assist in security policy review and design related to Server, LAN and WAN Connectivity
23.	Monitor performance and security, using network management tools
24.	Use Cisco Works® for SNMP management of LAN/WAN devices
25.	Implement and manage Cisco QOS prioritization and Ethernet virtual circuits.
26.	Monitor performance and patch management using Cisco Works
27.	Configure and handle upgrades of Cisco IOS®
28.	Develop and update Network Diagrams using Microsoft Visio®
29.	Use NetTracker Web Log Analyzer® to monitor utilization
30.	Configure and manage Cisco Content Switch®
31.	Manage and configure FTP services
32.	Configure, update, and Manage the Secure Transport® Server

	33.	Implementing and supporting KVM over IP solutions	
	34.	Mentor other staff members on network technologies	
M	inimum Quali	ifications	
Position Title/s or Service Type/s Technical Experience/Knowledge/Skill (From Section 1 Above)			
Position Title: Senior Network Engineer	For minimum requirements, see CATS II Labor Category Number 81. Senior Network Engineer. In addition, a minimum of two (2) years experience for all of the following:		
CATSII Labor Category: 81. Senior Network Engineer	1.	Working knowledge of a complete network environment	
	2.	Windows Server 2003 and 2008	
	3.	Active Directory 2003, 2008	
	4.	TCP/IP and DNS	
	5.	Microsoft Exchange 2003, 2010	
	6.	Server Security	
	7.	Backup and Recovery Methods	
	8.	File and Print services	
	9.	Terminal and Remote Desktop Services (including knowledge of Citrix)	
	10.	Cisco Switch Architecture	
	11.	Rack-mounting/Moving network equipment	
	12.	Monitoring server performance	
	13.	In-depth knowledge of Cisco security, routing and switching technologies	
	14.	Working knowledge of Linux (ex. RedHat, Debian) operations and networking	
	15.	Working knowledge of VMware versions 4.1, and 5.1 (virtual switching and routing)	

Section 4 - Required Submissions

NOTE:

- Master Contractors may propose only one candidate for each position requested.
- Master Contractors electing <u>not</u> to propose in response to the RFR must submit a "Master Contractor Feedback Form" via the "Master Contractor Login" on the CATS II web site. Master Contractors proposing in response to the RFR <u>must</u> submit the documents below <u>as</u> separate files contained in two separate emails as follows:

Email 1 with "Technical": Master Contractor Name, RFR number, & candidate name, and in the subject line

- O Resume for each labor category described in the RFR (Attachment 1)
- o Two current references that can be contacted for performance verification of the submitted consultant(s) work experience and skills. Telephone number and email address of reference is needed.

Email 2 with "Financial": Master Contractor Name, RFR number, & candidate name, and in the subject line

- o Price Proposal (Attachment 2)
- o Conflict of Interest Affidavit (Attachment G in the CATS II RFP)
- o Living Wage Affidavit (Attachment I in the CATS II RFP)
- o Any documents listed below as required by the hiring agency
- 1. Resume
- 2. References (2 current references)
- 3. Cost Proposal

Section 5 – Evaluation Criteria –

(Provide a list of evaluation criteria in descending order of importance)

- 1. Qualifications and experience performing the duties as specified in Section 2
- 2. Training and Education
- 3. Ability to answer interview questions
- 4. References
- 5. Cost

Basis for Award Recommendation

RFRs will be awarded in accordance with the competitive Sealed Proposals process under COMAR 21.05.03. The agency POC will recommend award to the Master Contractor whose proposal is determined to be the most advantageous to the State, considering price and the evaluation factors set forth in the RFR. The agency POC will initiate and deliver a RFR Agreement to the selected Master Contractor.

ATTACHMENT 1 – RFR RESUME FORM SENIOR NETWORK ENGINEER RFR #R00B4400024

Instructions: Insert resume information in the fields below; do not submit other resume formats. Submit only one resume per Position or Service described in Section 1 of the RFR. If the RFR requests multiple Positions or Services, use a separate resume form for each proposed candidate.

use a separate resume form f			equests mu	imple rositions of Services,
Candidate Name: Master	P	Position Title or Service Type (from Section 1 of the RFR):		
Contractor:				
A. Education / Train	ing			
Institution Name /	City / State	Degree / Certification	Year Complet	Field Of Study
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B. Relevant Work E	xperience			
Describe work exp	erience relevant to the Dudescribed in Section 3 of	the RFR. Start with the 1		
[Organization] [Title / Role] [Period of Employment / Work] [Location] [Contact Person (Optional if current employer)]	Description of Work			
[Organization] [Title / Role] [Period of Employment / Work] [Location] [Contact Person]	Description of Work			
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C. Employment Hist List employment h	•	nost recent employment f	irst	
Start and End Dates	Job Title or Position	Organization N	lame	Reason for Leaving
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 D. References List persons the State may contact as employment references 				
Reference Name	Job Title or Position	Organization N	lame	Telephone / Email
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ATTACHMENT 2 SENIOR NETWORK ENGINEER RFR PRICE PROPOSAL -RFR #R00B4400024

(This form is to be filled out by Master Contractors)

Hourly Labor

Rate

Proposed Labor Category

Total Hours

(up to 6 months)

Labor Category Price

(Labor Rate x Hours)

81. Senior Network Engineer	\$	*1040 hrs	\$		
Total RFR Price (Sum of Labor Category Prices): \$					
*Note: Hours are used for evaluation purpose or less.	es only. Actual hours po	er resource for a labo	or category may be more		
VENDOR'S NAME					
ADDRESS					
CITY, STATE AND ZIP CODE					
TELEPHONE NO	FA	X NO			
FIN	DUNS NO.				
EMAIL ADDRESS					
SIGNATURE					

Proposed labor categories must be from those described in the CATS II Master Contract and must correspond to the resume/s provided. Support staff is limited to engagements of up to six months. The "Hourly Labor Rate" is the actual fully-loaded rate, all inclusive that the State will pay for services recorded in dollars and cents. Hourly rates must be equal to or less than the rates proposed by the Master Contractor for the CATS II Master Contract.

TITLE DATE

PRINTED NAME_____