DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

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Questions & Answers #1

TORFP #F50B5400004

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The following questions for the above referenced TORFP were received by e-mail, are answered and will be posted for all prospective Offerors. The statements and interpretations contained in the following responses to questions are not binding to the State unless the TORFP is expressly amended. Nothing in the State's response to these questions is to be construed as agreement to or acceptance by the State of any statement or interpretation on the part of the Offeror asking the question.

Ladies/Gentlemen:

1. Can you please clarify the "Offeror's company minimum qualification"? Five (5) years' experience in providing technical resources or IT project for Statewide deployment or with a contract value over \$200 million. Does this read as the following below?

Five (5) years' experience in providing technical resources

OR

Five (5) years' experience in IT project for Statewide deployment

OR

Five (5) years' experience with a contract value over \$200 million.

If not, please clarify!

Response: Yes.

2. Are there any Incumbents? If yes, then can you please list the names?

<u>Response</u>: There is no current incumbent. It is a new position to provide additional support for the agencies involved.



3. We like to know that is there any incumbent for this project? If yes, kindly provide the details of the same.

Response: Refer to Answer #2.

4. Is this a new or existing project? If existing, who is the incumbent?

Response: Refer to Answer #2.

5. Please consider these following questions regarding the Subject TORFP:

1. <u>Section 3.4.1 C #4 reads</u>

- 4) Provide a Staffing Management Plan that demonstrates how the Offeror will provide resources in addition to the personnel requested in this TORFP, and how the TO Support Personnel shall be managed. Include:
 - a) Planned team composition by role (<u>Important!</u> Identify specific names and provide history <u>only</u> for the proposed resources required for evaluation of this TORFP).

Question: Confirm that this statement means that no names are required for any other staff other than the ONE full time Project Manager position resource that we are submitting. Should we assume that the Staffing Management Plan to be provided should only to refer to our qualified staff and their associated skills who may be called upon to provide additional support to the project via the Work Order Process outlined in Section 2.1.14 of the RFP?

Response: Yes. No names are required in connection with the staffing plan.

6. **2.** Section 2.6.2.6 reads

Risk Management Plan and Risk Registry - Create and update an ongoing **Risk Management Plan (RMP) and Risk Registry**. The RMP shall identify and prioritize potential risks to successful completion of the CAD/RMS SDLC Phases. The RMP shall incorporate pertinent risk information found in the Master Project Status Report. The RMP will include a Risk Registry of all project risks that will be updated throughout the project.

Question: is the reference to CAD/RMS a typographical error? Appears it should be "the State 700 MHz system" instead. Is this correct?

Response: Refer to Amendment #1.

7. Is there currently an Incumbent contractor performing this work? If so, is the state satisfied with the work of the incumbent contractor?

Response: Refer to Answer #2.



8. Please provide clarity to section 2.9.1 OFFEROR'S COMPANY MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS -- Five (5) years' experience in providing technical resources or IT project for Statewide deployment or with a contract value over \$200 million.

Does the CATS+ contract constitute for a contract value over \$200 million?

Response: No.

9. Is there a projected award date for this contract?

Response: DoIT cannot predict an award date. The project will be awarded as soon as possible after all proposals have been evaluated.

10. Is the contractor to price labor based on 2000 hours or rather 3000 hours?

Response: Refer to Attachment 1 – Price Proposal.

11. Would the State favor individuals with Fire Emergency Management Services experience?

Response: No.

12. This TORFP is essentially the same as F50B4400029 that was cancelled. Can you tell us why it was cancelled and reissued as F50B5400004? Were the project managers proposed under the old TORFP not adequate?

Response: The State is seeking a larger pool of qualified candidates/firms.

13. Can a Team (A CATS+ Master Contractor (Prime) and a Non-CATS + Subcontractor) in which the subcontractor meets the Corporate Minimum Qualifications (as outlined in Section 2.9.1) be eligible to bid on this TORFP? (In other words, Can a CATS+ Master Contractor by teaming with a Subcontractor which possesses the required qualifications satisfy the eligibility requirement?)

Response: No.

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