MDOT Environmental Information Management System

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Questions & Responses

1) It is not clear what the level of effort is for this project. It appears that you are only looking for hosting with additional end user access for the new teams and training for the new users, but no additional software development or changes to the application. Is this correct?

   RESPONSE: Yes. Some minor customization for each administration may be needed for the initial deployment. Subsequent enhancements, if needed will be requested on a work order basis.

2) Does MDOT own the existing application or does the third-party developer own the application?

   RESPONSE: The existing application utilized at MAA is owned by MDOT, but hosted by a third party vendor.

3) What is the name of the current hosting firm, and what is the link to the existing CATS I, CATS II, or other online archived contract MDOT has with this vendor?

   RESPONSE: This is a new hosting requirement for five MDOT administrations, so there is no current hosting vendor. However, the MAA application is currently being hosted by EA Engineering, Science and Technology, Inc., which was procured through another competitive procurement process other than CATS I or CATS II.

4) What is the business driver for MDOT going out to bid for these services instead of renewing or extending the current contract?

   RESPONSE: To improve environmental compliance. There is no existing contract to be renewed or extended.

5) What technologies does the application use (what browsers does MDOT use, what language is the code written in, what is the database and version, what servers are hosting it, is it in a virtual environment, etc.)?

   RESPONSE: This information can be found within the "Functional Requirements" section of the TORFP.

6) What is the size of the application and what are the sizes of all related databases?

   RESPONSE: The size of the application cannot be determined at this time. The application should be agile enough to harvest data from any existing databases, regardless of the size and must have the ability to contract and expand based on each MDOT Modal Administration's Functional Requirements.

7) What are the hardware specifications of the current hosting environment and what are the specifications of any virtualization?

RESPONSE: This is stated in the TORFP, Exhibit B- Functional Requirement.

8) How many simultaneous users are there on the current system and what is the expectation of the number of simultaneous users with all new agencies plus the current users?

RESPONSE: This will depend on how the system is used at each mode. The system should be flexible in its ability to add and delete users as needed. Additionally, each MDOT Modal Administration will have a unique user tree; with specific user groups (each user group will have specific roles and responsibilities as well). The number of simultaneous users may vary at any given time; the application must have the ability to support simultaneous users at any given time.

9) The Attachment 1 Price Proposal does not seem to line up with CATS+ standards. CATS+ is a contract for services, human beings performing activities for a measured number of hours. This appears to be an annual software license and hosting fee, with some services added on additionally. How are we to provide a "fully loaded rate" for a monthly software license or hosting fee, and how are those to be compared against the requirement "Master Contract Rates" as defined in Attachment 1 and 1b?

RESPONSE: Revised Attachment 1, 1A and 1B are issued as part of Addendum No. 1. Attachment 1 is a fixed monthly cost for the hosting services. Attachment 1A requires contractor's fully loaded rates based on the master contract.

10) Please clarify why the time and materials portion of the price proposal are listed as "optional"?

RESPONSE: Refer to Section 2.14 – Work Order Process.

11) Please clarify the full list of exactly what services are to be included on Attachment 1a, as the training is to be on 1b and the hosting services on Attachment 1 are "to be inclusive of all master contractor key and other personnel to be assigned to perform work under the TO"?

RESPONSE: Examples of services, once the system has been fully deployed, could be, but not limited to: software updates, fixing accessibility issues, minor tweaks and system enhancements. Refer also to Section 2.14 – Work Order Process.

12) What are the database(s)/system(s) MDOT would like to integrate into the EIMS within each agency?

RESPONSE: This would vary for each administration and is expected to be determined during the initially needs assessment phase of system deployment. Some software examples include: Maximo, Oracle, GIS, and Excel Spreadsheets.

13) Does MDOT require assistance with populating the EIMS under the initial release?

   RESPONSE: Yes.

14) Just want to know if the above solicitation is new or rebid. If rebid, was it from CATS 1 OR CATS 2.

   RESPONSE: New.

15) Is there an incumbent currently performing this work? If yes, what is the contractor company name?

   RESPONSE: This is a new solicitation to establish application for use at five MDOT administrations, namely: TSO, MDTA, MPA, MTA and MVA. See response to Question 3.

16) P.10: 2.7: Project Background Who is the 3rd party currently maintains and hosts the JETS system?

   RESPONSE: See response to Question 3.

17) P.13: Section 2.8.4: Design and Specifications Does MDOT expect to reuse the existing JETS (EIMS) at the remaining 5 MAA? Or the selected vendor should develop a new system?

   RESPONSE: MDOT expects to use existing JETS at remaining five MDOT administrations.

18) P.28: Attachment 1A **Total Hours annually shall not exceed 192 hours per Contract Year.** Is this be the maximum labor hours permitted under this Contract

   RESPONSE: No, this is an estimated number for pricing evaluation purposes only. The number of hours can be modified based on the actual need.

19) Exhibit B, FRSP.3 & P. 18: Mapping Module. If EIMS development scenario is allowed, can MDOT accept open source GIS platform such as Open Layer (in addition to the ESRI ArcIMS 10 and ArcSDE 10) ? Can MDOT provide ESRI license to the selected vendor for software development?

   RESPONSE: No. The idea is to procure a hosted service.