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Q&A's Set #1 to Request for Proposals (RFP) INTERNET SERVICE PROVIDER For networkMaryland™ PROJECT NO. 050B8800021 April 17, 2008

Ladies/Gentlemen:

Received the following questions by e-mail, which are answered for all Offerors to the referenced RFP, below:

1.Question: Are newsfeeds a mandatory requirement? **Answer**: News feeds are not a requirement. The RFP will be amended to reflect this.

2. Question: Is IPV6 support an immediate requirement

Answer: Currently, the State does not use any IPv6 address space. It is not anticipated that IPv6 will be implemented natively on networkMarylandTM during the duration of the contract. Offerors should describe their capabilities of routing or tunneling IPv6 traffic, as it exists today.

3.Question: Is it possible to get the NPA-NXX's for the six locations? **Answer:** State does not have the NPA-NXX for the six locations. The State desires and anticipates that the Contractors will have direct fiber connections available at the locations stated in the RFP. Given the time to implement as defined in the RFP, and the bandwidth required (1 Gbps capability), the State believes relying on leased telecommunications circuits as part of a proposal would not be feasible.

4. Question: On Page 7, section 1.29, we are not able to view the URL address provided **Answer**: An updated link is provided below. http://compnet.comp.state.md.us/General_Accounting_Division/Static_Files/gadx-10.pdf

5.Question: Wireless would require roof rights. Roof rights are obtained by tenant (State). Which buildings do you have roof rights out of the 6? **Answer**: The State has roof rights to 301 W. Preston Street and 6 St. Paul.

~Effective Resource Management~ 45 Calvert Street • Annapolis, MD 21401-1907 Tel: (410) 260-6014 • Fax: (410) 974-3274 • Toll Free: 1 (800) 705-3493 • TTY Users: call via Maryland Relay http://www.dbm.maryland.gov 6.Question: Is the delivery method defined as fiber only in the RFP Answer: RFP Section 3.1.8 infers the State's desire for a fiber hand-off. The State anticipates either a single-mode or multi-mode fiber hand-off and will supply the appropriate optical interface for the State's CPE.

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By<u><signed></u>. Mike Yeager Procurement Officer