

MARTIN O'MALLEY Governor ANTHONY BROWN Lieutenant Governor T. ELOISE FOSTER Secretary DAVID C.ROMANS Deputy Secretary

QUESTIONS AND RESPONSES # 2 PROJECT NO. 050B8800008 Local Telecommunications Services October 10, 2007

Ladies/Gentlemen:

This List of Questions and Responses #2, questions #34 through #37, is being issued to clarify certain information contained in the above named RFP. The statements and interpretations of contract requirements, which are stated in the following questions of potential offerors, are not binding on the State, unless the State expressly amends the RFP. Nothing in the State's responses 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 vendor asking the question as to what the contract does or does not require.

34) Reference Question #4; we would like to ask the State of Maryland to reconsider their response to question #4. The question was "what are the address locations of the point to point T-1's"

RESPONSE: The State has provided for LATA 240, the address 18800 Roxbury Rd to 18601 Roxbury Rd on the Price sheet listed just below the Point to Point T-1 reference. As described in the Pre-Proposal conference, the Price Instruction form was reiterated to provide a complete listing of all "ICB" tariff prices in a separate attachment to the price sheets. As an example, for distance sensitive prices such as T-1 services, include your unit prices for each mile of service.

35) Reference Section 2.2, 2.16; We ask that you please remove your requirement for tariff filing.

RESPONSE: The State will not remove the tariff filing requirement. It is a State Law that tariff filings be submitted to the State PUC for the telecommunication services requested in RFP050B8800008 for Local Exchange Carriers and Competitive Local Exchange Carriers.

36) Reference Question #29; In order to provide accurate pricing for DSL service which is a distance sensitive service, the State must reconsider their position concerning not to provide address/location information as state in question #29.

RESPONSE: As part of your tariff filing which includes distance sensitive pricing, p lease provide your DSL pricing with the various distance and feature components.

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RESPONSE: The State will issue an amendment to extend the due date for 3 days to October 17th.

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