



**Addendum #5 to
Request for Proposals (RFP)
STATEWIDE PUBLIC SAFETY WIRELESS COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM
PROJECT NO. 060B9800036**

September 5, 2008

Ladies/Gentlemen:

This Amendment is being issued to change, add or delete certain information contained in the above named RFP. Specific parts of the RFP have been amended and the RFP changes are detailed below. The changes are marked with text underlined if it is new and crossed through if it has been deleted. This marking will help you more easily identify what has changed.

1. Change wording in RFP Section 1.31 Living Wage, 1st paragraph from:

A solicitation for services under a State contract valued at \$100,000 or more may be subject to Title 18, State Finance and Procurement (SFP) Article, Annotated Code of Maryland. Additional information regarding the State's Living Wage requirement is contained in this solicitation (see Attachment ~~M~~ entitled "Living Wage Requirements for Service Contracts"). If the Offeror fails to submit and complete the Living Wage Affidavit of Agreement (See Attachment ~~N~~), the State may determine an Offeror to be not responsible.

to:

A solicitation for services under a State contract valued at \$100,000 or more may be subject to Title 18, State Finance and Procurement (SFP) Article, Annotated Code of Maryland. Additional information regarding the State's Living Wage requirement is contained in this solicitation (see Attachment J entitled "Living Wage Requirements for Service Contracts"). If the Offeror fails to submit and complete the Living Wage Affidavit of Agreement (See Attachment K), the State may determine an Offeror to be not responsible.

2. Appendix 2 (Revision #1) replaces Appendix 2. Appendix 2 (Revision #1) is attached to this Addendum

3. Appendix 16, Section 8 has been revised to change all references from AAQ to DAQ.

a) In Section 8.2, 2nd and 3rd paragraphs change:

The system design shall be based upon Actual Audio Quality ("AAQ") of "3.4" using qualitative voice testing for the proposed technology defined by TIA TSB 88. An AAQ of "3.4" is an equivalent passing result as defined in TIA TSB 88 for a DAQ of "3.4".

The State requires that all tiles will be tested for Actual Audio Quality and deemed pass or fail based upon an AAQ score of “3.4”. Prior to each AAQ test, vendors shall provide a complete tile list. Actual Audio Quality (AAQ) testing will not commence until all identified tiles are served by its complement of deployed and operational radio sites. Tiles are defined later in this RF coverage acceptance test.

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The system design shall be based upon ~~Actual~~ Delivered Audio Quality (“ADAQ”) of “3.4” using qualitative voice testing for the proposed technology defined by TIA TSB 88. ~~An AAQ of “3.4” is an equivalent passing result as defined in TIA TSB 88 for a DAQ of “3.4”.~~

The State requires that all tiles will be tested for ~~Actual~~ Delivered Audio Quality and deemed pass or fail based upon an ADAQ score of “3.4”. Prior to each ADAQ test, vendors shall provide a complete tile list. ~~Actual~~ Delivered Audio Quality (ADAQ) testing will not commence until all identified tiles are served by its complement of deployed and operational radio sites. Tiles are defined later in this RF coverage acceptance test.

b) In Section 8.3, 3rd paragraph, change:

Prior to each Regional AMT test, vendors shall provide a complete drive route map and associated tile list. AMT testing will not commence until all drive routes and tiles are identified and approved by the State and the Contractor advises the State that it is prepared to perform the AMT test for the data system. AMT testing will be performed concurrently with voice quality testing (AAQ).

to:

Prior to each Regional AMT test, vendors shall provide a complete drive route map and associated tile list. AMT testing will not commence until all drive routes and tiles are identified and approved by the State and the Contractor advises the State that it is prepared to perform the AMT test for the data system. AMT testing will be performed concurrently with voice quality testing (ADAQ).

c) In Section 8.4, 1st paragraph, change:

The State requires uniform tile pattern for RF coverage testing throughout the Region and State geographic area. AAQ and AMT testing procedures will utilize this common set of uniform tiles.

to:

The State requires uniform tile pattern for RF coverage testing throughout the Region and State geographic area. ADAQ and AMT testing procedures will utilize this common set of uniform tiles.

d) In Section 8.4, last paragraph, change:

AAQ testing requires a single Push-to-Talk (PTT) two-way voice test per tile. A single AAQ test within a tile passes only if both:

- 1) Two-way message occurs, and
- 2) Both teams score the DAQ Test equal to or greater 3.4

A single AAQ test within a tile fails if there is either:

- 1) One part of the two-way message is not received, or
- 2) If either part message is scored less than the DAQ score of 3.4.

A Region requires 95% of all tiles, including bordering tiles assigned to adjacent Regions and other States, to pass the Actual Audio Quality Testing.

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~~ADAQ~~ testing requires a single Push-to-Talk (PTT) two-way voice test per tile. A single ~~ADAQ~~ test within a tile passes only if both:

- 3) Two-way message occurs, and
- 4) Both teams score the DAQ Test equal to or greater 3.4.

A single ~~ADAQ~~ test within a tile fails if there is either:

- 3) One part of the two-way message is not received, or
- 4) If either part message is scored less than the DAQ score of 3.4.

A Region requires 95% of all tiles, including bordering tiles assigned to adjacent Regions and other States, to pass the ~~Actual~~-Delivered Audio Quality Testing.

e) In Section 8.15, change:

RF Coverage Acceptance requires the following:

- 1) Successful completion of all RF Coverage testing requirements,
- 2) Resolution of all RF Coverage Testing punch list items, and
- 3) Delivery of all RF Coverage Testing, AMT and AAQ procedures and test results documentation.

Once RF Coverage Testing and documentation are successfully completed, then all equipment, site, and subsystems of the Region can transition to the 30-day Operation Test.

to:

RF Coverage Acceptance requires the following:

- 4) Successful completion of all RF Coverage testing requirements,
- 5) Resolution of all RF Coverage Testing punch list items, and
- 6) Delivery of all RF Coverage Testing, AMT and ~~ADAQ~~ procedures and test results documentation.

Once RF Coverage Testing and documentation are successfully completed, then all equipment, site, and subsystems of the Region can transition to the 30-day Operation Test.

4. On page 156, titled APPENDICES DISTRIBUTED ONLY WITH A NDA, add the following appendices after APPENDIX 12 – *Equipment Shelter Layout*:

APPENDIX 21 – State Fiber Sites on MD Map

APPENDIX 22 – New Microwave Site Layouts

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