

State Department of Assessments & Taxation (SDAT)
Solicitation Number E50B8400016
Electronic Output Document Management System
Issue Date: April 13, 2018

1. Will SDAT consider extending the due date of this solicitation beyond May 14, 2018?

Answer: *Yes. The closing date for the Electronic Output Document Management System TORFP #E50B8400016 is extended until June 11,, 2018 at 3:00 pm, Eastern Standard Time. See TORFP Section 5.3.3.A.*

TO Contractors are reminded that a completed Feedback Form is requested if a no-bid decision is made (see TORFP Section 5).

2. Will SDAT entertain alternative proposals to this solution?

Answer: *No, only one proposal per TO Contractor will be accepted. Neither multiple nor alternative proposals will be accepted.*

3. Does SDAT have the ability to issue SQL queries to pull the required data directly from the database(s)? That is, instead of pulling the data into flat files, can SDAT use data connectors to pull the data directly from relational databases?

Answer:

Currently, CICS System pushes the data into flat files and then letters are printed to the printers. DB2 Connect can be used to run SQL Queries against DB2 databases in the mainframe.

However, this will require major changes to and testing of SDAT's existing CICS System.

Proposed solutions that require SDAT to make this change, will need to demonstrate in its technical proposal the benefits to SDAT for investing the additional time and resources necessary.

4. Do you require printer control of paper stock or finishing to any of the printers?

Answer: *No*

5. With regard to the offsite facility, are there any expectations related to distance from the current location?

Answer: *No. Prefer the Site to be within the geographic boundaries of Maryland.*

6. For print jobs not to be returned to the requester, but are to be delivered (Fedex, UPS) how is the client requesting cost to be handled?

Answer: *This RFP includes mailing services using USPS.*

7. Traditionally, in our experience, remote printing usually increases an operation's costs. Your RFP shared the desire to reduce costs for the State of Maryland. Has SDAT done any research regarding the potential outcome(s) of this change?

Answer: *Yes, and soliciting for bids will give SDAT an opportunity to see what our financial and budgetary options are first hand.*

8. Though the current contract was awarded in November/December 2014, it did not commence until February 2015. Does the option year currently in place conclude January of 2019?

Answer: *This does not pertain to the TORFP*

9. The current printer is not the Xerox 700 as shared in your RFP. A new printer was put in place (Xerox V80) from another contract (DGS) after the CATS Plus contract was awarded. Is it SDAT's assumption that the current printer expires at the same time the CATS Plus current option year contract expires?

Answer: *This does not pertain to the TORFP*