



**Addendum #5 to the Request for Proposals (RFP)
Microwave and Ancillary Equipment and Services
Project No. 060B040006
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This Addendum is being issued to amend and clarify certain information contained in the above named RFP. All information contained herein is binding on all Offerors who respond to this RFP. Specific parts of the RFP have been amended. The following changes/additions are listed below; new language has been underlined and language deleted has been marked with a strikethrough (ex. ~~language deleted~~).

1. Section 1.30 Non-Visual Access, Delete the wording in this Section and replace it with:

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The Section now reads:

1.30 Non-Visual Access

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~~By submitting a proposal in response to a PORFP, the Master Contractor warrants that the Equipment offered under the PORFP (1) provides equivalent access for effective use by both visual and non-visual means; (2) will present information, including prompts used for interactive communications, in formats intended for both visual and non-visual use; (3) if intended for use in a network, can be integrated into networks for obtaining, retrieving, and disseminating information used by individuals who are not blind or visually impaired; and (4) is available, whenever possible, without modification for compatibility with software and Equipment for non-visual access. The Master Contractor further warrants that the cost, if any, of modifying the Information Technology (IT) for compatibility with software and Equipment used for non-visual access will not increase the cost of the IT by more than five percent. For purposes of this Master Contract, the phrase "equivalent access" means the ability to receive, use and manipulate information and operate controls necessary to access and use information technology by non-visual means. Examples of equivalent access include keyboard controls used for input and synthesized speech, Braille, or other audible or tactile means used for output.~~

~~The Non-visual Access Clause noted in COMAR 21.05.08.05 and referenced in this solicitation is the basis for the standards that have been incorporated into the Maryland regulations, which can be found at: www.DoIT.maryland.gov keyword: non-visual access~~

2. Delete Section 29 Nonvisual Accessibility Warranty from Attachment A, the State's Contract.

3. Revise Section 2.10.2 as follows:

The Master Contractor shall maintain a policy of general liability insurance that is of the proper type and of sufficient limits that the State, their officials, employees, their agents, servants, and guests ~~and subcontractors~~ are reasonably covered in the event of injury or death.

The Contractor shall require that any subcontractors that are utilized to fulfill the obligations of the Contract obtain and maintain similar levels of insurance and shall provide the State with the same documentation as is required of the Contractor.

4. Revise Section 1.33, as follows:

This solicitation and resulting master contract requires that all materials used in the performance of the Contract and subsequent Task Order Agreements and Small Work Orders shall be ~~mercury-free products~~ as mercury-free as commercially possible. The Offeror shall submit a Mercury Affidavit with its proposal found at Attachment I.

The State is required by COMAR 21.11.07.07 to give a preference to procuring products and equipment that are mercury-free. The price preference is .1 percent (.001) of the price for equipment offered in response to a PORFP. If mercury-free products and equipment that meet the product performance requirements in a PORFP are not commercially available, the State shall give the same preference specified above to products containing the least amount of mercury necessary to meet performance requirements. The State requires a completed Mercury Affidavit (See Attachment I) to be submitted with each PORFP proposal to determine mercury content in products proposed.

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