

**Questions & Answers #11 to
Request for Proposals (RFP)
Statewide Public Safety Wireless Communications System
RFP #060B9800036
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Ladies/Gentlemen:

The Department of Information Technology received the following question by e-mail for the above referenced RFP, and it is answered below for all Offerors:

Question 160: In Appendix 10: In the original Appendix 10, the terms "Public Service" and "Public Safety" were used as labels for the sites included in the appendix. Those labels have been changed to "Public Service" and "Potential". Does the change in label reflect an intended change in how vendors are to use the sites?

ANSWER: The sites listed under Public Service are existing sites or sites to be completed by the end of Calendar Year 2009. The sites listed under Potential are sites that are potential sites for Public Safety but will require various improvements, including but not limited to, tower construction, increasing height for an existing tower, adding shelter space, etc.

Question 161: In Appendix 10: Can "Potential" sites be used in the Public Service design?

ANSWER: No. Potential sites would require improvements which are beyond the scope of the Public Service design.

Question 162: In Appendix 10: Or, is it the intent of the State to see a "Public Safety" design with only sites from Appendix 10.

ANSWER: Offerors are to propose a system that meets the RFP requirements. Offerors can utilize the sites listed in Appendix 10 in their proposal. Additional sites will likely be required to meet the coverage requirements of the RFP. If additional sites are required, Offerors shall propose other sites or search rings. Please see Addendum #14 (Grade of Service Summary Sheet) for search ring requirements.

Question 163: In Appendix 10: The following sites were removed from Appendix 10; Hanover SHA, Bridgeport SHA, and Martin's Mountain SHA. Can these sites be used for backhaul only purposes?

ANSWER: The State did not remove the above noted sites. Please refer to the following line numbers on the revised Appendix #10:

Line 9: Martin Mountain SHA

Line 19: Hanover SHA

Line 75: Bridgeport SHA

These Public Service sites were never removed from Appendix #10 and therefore can be used for backhaul or transmission.