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Jerome Noble, Director



August 20, 2007

**Re: Bid# 07ITB55001YB-BR
Telecommunications Services-(Voice and Data Circuits)**

Dear bidders:

Attached is one (1) copy of Addendum 2, hereby made a part of the above referenced bid.

Except as provided herein, all terms and conditions in the bid referenced above remain unchanged and in full force and effect.

Sincerely,

Brian Richmond
Assistant Purchasing Agent

Bid# 07ITB55001YB-BR Telecommunications Services (Voice and Data Circuits)

Addendum No. 2

Page Two

This Addendum forms a part of the contract documents and answers questions asked by interested vendors:

- 1) Question-paragraph 4-page 56. Will the successful bidder be responsible for maintaining existing handsets (VoIP or CENTREX), PBX or Key Systems or Network hardware or systems? If the bidder will be responsible please provide a list by manufacturer and model.
ANSWER: The successful bidder will be responsible for coordination of repairs (VoIP and CENTREX). Refer to pages 60-67, Scope of work, A. Functional Requirements. VoIP equipment is covered under another agreement, not to be included in this solicitation- See page 62, Item 2. Station Equipment. CISCO equipment maintenance is covered by another solicitation, 07ITB57043YB, closes August 28, 2007. Additionally refer to pages 72-74, Section 7, Pricing Forms. Items A&B describe level of support required for legacy station equipment.

- 2) Question: Please provide a list of equipment that the successful bidder would be expected to maintain to support the services listed in 4. Current Environment- page 58 and 5. Desired Environment-page 59 including your VoIP platform(s).
ANSWER: Refer to answer for previous question. Fulton County does not have a detailed inventory of existing legacy equipment.

- 3) Question: Under section A. Functional Requirements-paragraph 6-page 60 it states that as of December 1, 2007 the awarded contractor "will be responsible for all bills associated with any circuits remaining to be converted to the new contractor's network" Can the County provide a firm commitment to an award date? And if not would the County change the wording to allow the contractor 120 days to complete the installation of all circuits before incurring cost liability? This is a necessary change due to the need to schedule facilities cut over with the Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier (ILEC) which is AT&T and whose relationship with Competitive Local Exchange Carrier's (CLEC's) is regulated by tariff and the Georgia Public Service Commission. Some of the services that will need to be converted (Metro E for instance) have standard installation intervals controlled by the ILEC that can exceed 90 days.
ANSWER: The County anticipates an award to be made by October 3, 2007. The County does not foresee a need to change this requirement at this time.

- 4) Will the County continue to keep in place the service contracts referred to in 1. Local Service (Dial Tone Service) -page 61?

ANSWER: This solicitation is to replace the contracts currently in place providing the services referred to in this section. This solicitation will replace these contracts when the award is accepted and the contract takes effect.

- 5) What is the schedule by calendar year and by number of lines for the conversion from CENTREX to VoIP mentioned in 7.141 Government Center Complex CENTREX technician- page 63

ANSWER: The County does not have a firm schedule for line conversion from CENTREX to VoIP. The current plan is to convert the inventory of CENTREX based lines to VoIP over the life of the service contract to be awarded as a result of this solicitation. Refer to pages 58 and 59, Items 4 and 5 for information about current and expected (desired) environments anticipated over the life of the contract resulting from an award.

- 6) The functionality listed in 13-page 66 is not possible using CENTREX service and existing handsets.

ANSWER: Disregard. This question is removed from the ITB.

- 7) Please list the types of equipment used to support the network elements in 2. Current Environment-page 69. Who will be responsible for the maintenance of this equipment?

ANSWER: Network equipment is covered under another agreement, not to be included in this solicitation- See page 62, Item 2. Station Equipment. CISCO equipment maintenance is covered by another solicitation, 07ITB57043YB, closes August 28, 2007.

- 8) Please specify the number of BRI (128KB) circuits required versus the number of PRI (1.544MB) circuits required as listed in D. Data Communication Pricing Schedule as well as the bandwidth required for each of the 6 Metro-E and Synchronet circuits listed.

ANSWER: For purposes of this bid:

BRI (128K): 15

PRI (1.544MB): 10

Metro E Bandwidth: 10MB

Synchronet Circuit Bandwidth (19.2KB)

- 9) Please provide the NPA/NXX and address for each location and the number and type of service(s) required at each location.

ANSWER: A list of equipment, facilities, and sites has previously been provided in response to questions from prospective bidders. A detailed listing of all sites is not available.

- 10) When is the insurance certificate due to Fulton County?
Answer: The insurance certificate can be obtained once the vendor has been awarded the bid. We will need the certificate after award, but before any work can be done.
- 11) (page 66) 14. Secure voice capabilities as needed to include providing:
 a. Secure voice Service capabilities for Users requiring additional security for their Voice Communications.
 b. Sufficient security to protect confidential voice traffic

QUESTION: Would you please describe both a & b?

Answer: Disregard. This question is removed from the ITB.

12) a. The selected Vendor must provide electronic billing according to TCIF EDI Billing Guidelines for ANSI ASC X12 Version 4010 EDI invoicing, including but not limited to 811 level nine call and USOC level detail. Billing must contain as much or more detail than paper invoicing and be accurate and reliable for auditing back to contractual rates and terms.

QUESTION: Is your current vendor supplying this to you today?

Answer: Yes. For all bids identified, the current vendor is providing Billing information which meets this requirement.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF ADDENDUM NO. 2

The undersigned proposer acknowledges receipt of this addendum by returning one (1) copy of this form with the proposal package to the Purchasing Department, Fulton County Public Safety Building, 130 Peachtree Street, Suite 1168, Atlanta, Georgia 30303 by the ITB due date and time of Tuesday, August 28, 2007, 11:00 A.M.

This is to acknowledge receipt of Addendum No. 2, _____ day of _____, 2007.

 Legal Name of Bidder

 Signature of Authorized Representative

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