

Date: June 28, 2021

## ADDENDUM NO. 4

TO: ALL PROSPECTIVE OFFERORS

REFERENCE: RFP#2000003333

FOR: IT Support Hardware & Services

CLOSING DATE/TIME: June 30, 2021 @ 3 p.m.

## **RFP MODIFICATIONS:**

The referenced Request for Proposal is amended as follows:

- 1. Section 7.1 and Addendum 3, A1, the CPUs for the Network server, Xeon Silver 4114 (10-core 2.2Ghz), is replaced with Xeon Silver 4210R (10-core 2.4Ghz).
- 2. Section 7.1 and Addendum 3, A1, the CPUs for the ESXi server, Xeon Platinum 8180M (28-core 2.5Ghz), is replaced with Xeon Platinum 8280 (28-core 2.7Ghz).

## **RFP CLARIFICATIONS:**

The following are responses to questions received via e-mail and Bonfire:

## Note: In order to offer fair competition, FCPS requests that manufacturers offer the same volume discount levels to all vendors.

- Q1. Are there details around the number of VM's that will be running for the Standard, Database, and Esxi servers and the CPU, RAM and Storage needed for each VM in the three classes. I would like to build an HCI solution that will greatly simplify IT Operations.
- A1. No, HCl solution is not a requirement right now.
- Q2. Please extend the close date by two (2) weeks to allow bidders more time to prepare the most advantageous proposal response for FCPS.
- A2. FCPS will not be able to extend the due date as we are on a strict timeline to award contract(s).
- Q3. Please extend the Questions Due Date to Friday, June 25.
- A3. FCPS will not extend the due date of questions as we are on a strict timeline to award contract(s).
- Q3. If our intent is to bid both Hardware and Services, is it acceptable to submit the same Technical Proposal with all Tabs intact in accordance with Section 9 of Special Provisions in both sections of Bonfire?
- A3. It is preferred that, Offerors upload the documents separately depending on which part(s) you are responding to; one upload to Hardware Technical, one upload to Hardware Price, one upload to Services Technical and one for Technical Price. If the same document is uploaded in two sections, each section should be separated.
- Q4. On Addendum No. 2 in response to question 6, you responded YES to "should RAM be balanced in the server based on Intel best practices". Currently the memory specifications in the RFP calls out 32Gb, 256Gb, and 512Gb which are not balanced memory configurations. In order to achieve an Intel balanced memory configuration, there must be either 6 or 12 DIMMs per CPU with the most common memory configurations being 12x 8GB (96Gb) for the Network, 12x 32Gb (384Gb) for the Database and 24x 32Gb (768Gb) for the ESXi sample configurations. Should we use the balanced configuration guidelines or what is called out in the hardware specification in Appendix E?

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A4. While a balanced configuration of memory is not required, and FCPS does not always use a balanced configuration; it is acceptable to use configurations stated in appendix E or use the balanced configuration guidelines in your response.

Q5. Is VMware standard acceptable? A5. Yes

All other terms and conditions remain unchanged.

Jon Damron Supervisor

THIS ADDENDUM IS ACKNOWLEDGED AND IS CONSIDERED A PART OF THE SUBJECT REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL:

Name of Firm

(Signature)

(Date)

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