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Addendum #2

RFP # 7448214

Title: Cyber Infrastructure Project @ URI

Submission Deadline: 18 Feb 11 @ 1:00 PM (EST)

- The attendance list for the mandatory pre-bid meeting of 2/3/11 is posted for review.
- Five pages of questions / answers discussed at that session are posted for review.
- No further questions shall be entertained

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Project Name: URI Cyber Infrastructure Project

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Questions:

1. Is this project going to require an environmental assessment? **URI Response: A study is not required.**
2. Is the route shown final or is URI looking for the selected vendor to suggest alternate routes that could potentially reduce make ready requirements and/or overall cost? **URI Response: The proposed fiber routes were strategically chosen and shall not be changed as part of the bid proposal.**
3. 2.0.7 II Requires that 80% of the project be completed by July 1, 2011 with liquidated damages accruing after that date. This is impossible to guarantee since the Contractor has no control over the turnaround of makeready surveys conducted by Verizon and/or National Grid How does the University plan to handle this issue? **URI Response: Because of funding sources the 80% project completed by July 1st with liquidated damages stands firm.**

ADD: Option: Please list the percentage (%) for project completion your company can invoice against the schedule of values by July 1st 2011. If funding restrictions lift during the bid and evaluation process the University may utilize the percentage (%) for project completion submitted. Liquid dated damages would apply to the percentage (%) for project completion submitted.

4. 11.0.2 Requires that only Corning Altos cable be used. There are other manufacturers meeting the same specifications for the cabling and fiber. Are other manufacturers acceptable? If Corning fiber is required can other suppliers provide cable with Corning fiber? **URI Response: The University shall allow alternate fiber optic cable manufactures who's fiber optic glass meet the following standard: SMF28, ITU G.652.**
5. In the IRU option, must all the same requirements for construction, materials, labor, wage and technician licensing be met by the State registered telecommunications utility? **URI Response: The design represents minimum standards and guidelines for Construction. Prevailing wages shall be paid in accordance with State and Federal Law. The Contractor shall comply with the licensing requirements set forth by the State of Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training.**

6. Has URI registered the project with the State for prevailing wage tables? **URI Response: It is up to the Contactor to contact the state to confirm what the prevailing wages are.**

7. Are the existing pole attachment agreements in place? **URI Response: No, it is up the Contactor to provide the agreements to the University. URI's attorney will work on and sign agreements as required.**

8. How does the 3 year Maintenance Contract apply to the IRU model? **URI Response: The 3 year Maintenance Contract would not apply to an IRU. In the IRU model the Contactor defines the maintenance contract parameters and they are ultimately negotiated as part of the contract.**

9. Can materials and equipment invoiced on this project be stored off site until installation? **URI Response: URI Response: Yes, material and equipment can be stored off site at the vendor's location separate from their other inventory. The University will verify the materials and equipment at the remote location and will include under our insurance.**

10. When can we assume a contract can be awarded? **URI Response: We are reluctant to give a specific date because we don't have control over the entire process. The group agreed in principle that all Contractors shall use April 1st 2011 as a target PO date.**

11. Is the project an ARRA funded project or portions of? **URI Response: The entire project is considered and ARRA project regardless of multiple funding sources.**

12. There would seem to be a preference that someone builds it and you own it, would that be a fair assessment? **URI Response: The RFP was prepared as a design and build with multiple options, alternates and scenarios. Because of time constraints the University is looking at all options to achieve its objectives.**

13. In the IRU Model does the following apply?
 - 10% Minority Business: **URI Response: YES**
 - Prevailing Wages: **URI Response: YES**
 - Performance Bond: **URI Response: YES**

14. We would not provide ownership at the end of the lease term typically as it would be part of a shared Network. Our IRU would be for 20 years and that is more than 75% of useful life. We assume this satisfies your requirements for an IRU? **URI Response: We require minimum 20 years IRU with 4 five year renewable.**
15. When the cables enter Rodman Hall does it have to be spliced? **URI Response: The plan is the cable to pass through the Telephone Frame room and back out into the underground. The Contractor shall do what is required by the building code commission.**
16. Maintenance Contract: Our normal process for maintenance is that everything is included, included relocations, call before you dig request, emergency services, make ready services (moving fiber on the poles)
- How would you determine your future (yearly costs) associated with all these services when all you ask for is a 3-Maintenance Contract that doesn't spell out exactly what is to be supported.

URI Response: Section 5.0.1 and 5.0.2 lists minimum maintenance requirements. The Contractor has to be on call 24/7 for emergency service and support as part of this contract. The intent is for URI to pay for all services request on a quoted basic and that will most likely come in the form of a separate blanket support contract. Provide any additional detailed cost options for similar contracts and they shall be considered.

17. What does 80% of the approved schedule of values, completed and invoiced by July 1st 2011 mean? **URI Response: The Contractor needs to create a project schedule of values to complete the project. When you invoice for a particular line item we can track the expense and apply the cost against % completed. Example:**
- **Engineering Cost**
 - **Project Management Cost**
 - **Make Ready Cost**
 - **Material & Equipment Cost**
 - **Installation Cost**
 - **Terminations & Testing Cost**
 - **As-Builds and final Documentation Cost**

18. Is confidential financial information included in the "public copy" of the response? **URI Response: No. Please refer to page 3 #4 of the bid solicitation.**
19. **Section 2.0.08 Bidders Qualification Form: Omit Section 5. Financing.**
20. **Section 2.0.08 Bidders Qualification Form: Experience 3. OMIT: F.**
21. **Section 2.0.07 Bid Form Page 7, III Liquid Dated Damages: Change NOTE: If Alternate #3 Option B is executed the 80% Project Completion doesn't apply and the due date would be July 1st 2012.**
22. **Section 13.0.02 Alternate #2, Spelling Correction ADD: Indefeasible Right of Use IRU. Delete: De-feasible Right if Use.**
23. **Section 13.0.02 Alternate #2: Replace second paragraph with: As part of the IRU the University and or OSHEAN shall fully own all laterals. The Contractor shall build the defined laterals as part of the system and turn over to the University. The University and or OSHEAN shall maintain all lateral cable plant. The Contractor shall not own, use or have access to any part of the lateral cable plant. The University owned laterals are defined as follows:**
- A. Liberty Lane Food Science & Nutrition Building demarcation point and or MC as shown on drawing TD-03 page 44.**
 - B. Pechham Farm Splice Point C to Central Lab Animal Facility demarcation point as shown on drawing TD-04 page 45.**
 - C. The Contractor shall install a fiber optic pedestal that will act as a Campus demarcation point to Bressler Hall. The pedestal shall be installed on University Property near the Manhole & Riser Pole as shown on drawing TD-05 page 46. All cable plant to be installed beyond the pedestal on University Property and or within URI owned facilities shall be considered University laterals. The contractor shall install a 4" conduit from the riser pole to the pedestal. The 4" riser conduit shall be installed 10' up the pole. The pedestal shall accommodate LC Connections points, fusion splices and 25% growth. Furnish and install QTY 4 bollards to protect the pedestal. Coordinate final location with owner. Upon acceptance the University shall fully own the Pedestal.**

- D. The Contractor shall install a fiber optic pedestal on Bills Road that will act as a Campus demarcation point to Tyler Hall. The pedestal shall be installed on University Property near the University Club riser pole as shown on drawing TD-06 page 47. All cable plant to be installed beyond the pedestal on University Property and or within URI owned facilities shall be considered University laterals. The contractor shall install a 4" conduit from the riser pole to the pedestal. The 4" riser conduit shall be installed 10' up the pole. Furnish and install QTY 4 bollards to protect the pedestal. The pedestal shall accommodate LC Connections points, fusion splices and 25% growth. Upon acceptance the University shall fully own the Pedestal. Coordinate final location with owner.
- E. Aquaculture Center demarcation point and or MC as shown on drawing TD-07 page 48.
- F. The Contractor shall install QTY 2 fiber optic pedestal's that will act as Campus demarcation points. The pedestals shall be installed on University Property near the Riser Poles as shown on drawing TD-08 page 49. All cable plant to be installed beyond the pedestal on University Property and or within URI owned facilities shall be considered University laterals. The contractor shall install a 4" conduit from the riser pole to the pedestal. The 4" riser conduit shall be installed 10' up the pole. Furnish and install QTY 4 bollards to protect the pedestal. The pedestal shall accommodate LC Connections points, fusion splices and 25% growth. Upon acceptance the University shall fully own the Pedestal. Coordinate final location with owner.
- G. At the Westerly starting point there shall be an OSHEAN pedestal installed. Install the fiber cable to the future pedestal, final terminations by others.
- H. At the North Kingstown end point there shall be an OSHEAN pedestal installed. Install the fiber cable to the future pedestal, final terminations by others.

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