



STATE OF TENNESSEE
CENTRAL PROCUREMENT OFFICE

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS# 32101-15104 AMENDMENT # 5
LONG DISTANCE, TOLL FREE CALLING SERVICE AND ANCILLARY TELEPHONE SERVICES

DATE: November 4, 2015

RFQ #32101-15104 IS AMENDED AS FOLLOWS:

1. **This RFQ Schedule of Events updates and confirms scheduled RFQ dates.** Any event, time, or date containing revised or new text is highlighted.

EVENT		TIME (Central Time Zone)	DATE (all dates are State business days)	UNDATED/ CONFIRMED
1	RFQ Issued		SEPTEMBER 24, 2015	Confirmed
2	Disability Accommodation Request Deadline	2:00 P.M.	SEPTEMBER 30,2015	Confirmed
3	Notice of Intent to Respond Deadline	2:00 P.M.	OCTOBER 1, 2015	Confirmed
4	Written "Questions & Comments" Deadline	2:00 P.M.	OCTOBER 6, 2015	Confirmed
5	State response to written "Questions & Comments"		OCTOBER 20, 2015	Confirmed
6	RFQ Technical & Cost Proposal Response Deadline	2:00 P.M.	NOVEMBER 17, 2015	Confirmed
7	State Notice of Qualified Respondents Released		NOVEMEBR 24, 2015	Confirmed
8	State opening & scoring of Proposals		NOVEMBER 30, 2015	Confirmed
9	Cost and Terms and Conditions Negotiations		DECEMBER 14, 2015	Confirmed
10	Solicitation Files Opened for Public Inspection		DECEMBER 17, 2015	Confirmed
11	Respondent Contract Signature Deadline		JANUARY 8, 2016	Confirmed
12	Anticipated Contract Start Date		JANUARY 18, 2016	Confirmed

2. **Cost Proposal & Evaluation Guide; ATTACHMENT D:** The introduction section of the Schedule is changed as highlighted in yellow below.

ATTACHMENT D

Cost Proposal& Evaluation Guide
For Qualified Respondents Only

NOTICE: THIS COST PROPOSAL MUST BE COMPLETED EXACTLY AS REQUIRED

COST PROPOSAL SCHEDULE— The Cost Proposal, detailed below, shall indicate the proposed price for the delivery of specified goods for the entire scope of services including all services defined in the Scope of Services of the RFQ Attachment G, *pro forma* Contract and for the entire contract period. The Cost Proposal shall remain valid for at least 120 days subsequent to the date of the Cost Proposal opening and thereafter in accordance with any contract resulting from this RFQ. All monetary amounts shall be in U.S. currency and limited to four (4) places to the right of the decimal point.

IN THE EVENT THAT THE RESPONDENT CHOOSES **NOT** TO CHARGE THE STATE FOR ANY PARTICULAR SERVICE LISTED BELOW BUT WILL PROVIDE THE SERVICE AT NO COST TO THE STATE; THE RESPONDENT IS TO **ENTER "NC"** (NO CHARGE) IN THE PROPOSED COST COLUMN.

THE STATE WILL PAY ALL LEGALLY MANDATED FEES, TAXES AND SURCHARGES DURING THE CONTRACT PERFORMANCE PERIOD. HOWEVER, FOR THE PURPOSES OF THE EVALUATION OF THE COST PROPOSAL SCHEDULE, THE STATE REQUIRES THE BIDDERS TO EXCLUDE FROM THE RATES THAT WILL BE PROPOSED IN THE COST PROPOSAL SCHEDULE LIST, ATTACHMENT D THE FOLLOWING: UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUND, AND TAXES (FEDERAL OR LOCAL), SUCHARGES IMPOSED BY FEDERAL AND STATE REGULATORY AGENCIES THAT ARE APPLICABLE TO TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES. REAL AND PERSONAL TAX ALLOCATIONS CANNOT BE CONSIDERED AS A PART OF FEES, TAXES, AND SURCHARGES.

3. C.2 is being clarified to separate imposed Federal and State Regulatory costs from bid pricing.

C.2. Compensation Firm. The payment methodology in Section C.3 of this Contract shall constitute the entire compensation due the Contractor for all goods or services provided under this Contract regardless of the difficulty, materials or equipment required. The payment methodology includes all overhead, and all other direct and indirect cost incurred or to be incurred by the Contractor. A separate line will be established for each instance where fees (including the Universal Service Fund), applicable taxes and surcharges may be invoiced. Real Property and Personal tax allocations will not be considered as part of the fees, applicable taxes and surcharges..

4. RFQ Amendment Effective Date. The revisions set forth herein shall be effective upon release. All other terms and conditions of this RFQ not expressly amended herein shall remain in full force and effect.