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ADDENDUM #02

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To: All Vendors
From: Scott Clanton
Director of Purchasing and Warehousing

Subject: Bid Number 031-MHH-1209, Internet Access

This addendum is issued to answer questions from potential bidders and reflect changes to the Invitation To Bid.

All additions are in brackets ([]), **bold type** and underlined for easy identification. All deletions are indicated by strikethrough (~~strikethrough~~).

NOTE:

Among other things, this addendum reflects changes on the **BID FORM & SPECIFICATIONS**. ALL BIDDERS MUST SIGN BELOW AND RETURN THIS ENTIRE ADDENDUM (ALL 5 PAGES). FILL IN BID PRICING ON PAGE 3 OF THIS ADDENDUM. RETURN THIS ADDENDUM WITH YOUR SEALED BID PACKAGE IN ORDER FOR YOUR BID TO BE ACCEPTED. If you have already submitted a bid please complete this addendum filling in all applicable pricing, sign and return by the deadline for receipt of sealed bids in order for your bid to be accepted.

VENDOR NAME

***** _____ *****
PRINT OR TYPE SIGNATURE AND TITLE

***** _____ *****
WRITTEN SIGNATURE

*Polk County Schools-
an equal opportunity
institution for education
and employment*

*The Mission of Polk County Public Schools is to ensure rigorous, relevant learning experiences
that result in high achievement for our students.*

Please note these changes to Page 1 on the Invitation To Bid.

INVITATION TO BID

Bid Title Internet Access

Bid File Number 031-MHH-1209 Posted December 4, 2008

Sealed bids will be received until 3:00 PM on January 8 [13], 2009 in the School Board Purchasing Office at the above address. The official clock for the purpose of receiving bids is located in the Purchasing Office. All bids must be date and time stamped by the official clock. Bids will be opened in the Purchasing Offices after the deadline for receiving bids. Any bid received in Purchasing after the deadline indicated above will be date and time stamped and will not be opened. It is vendors' responsibility to see that their bids are properly received at the correct location prior to the deadline. Your bid must be on this form with the Bidder Acknowledgment completed. Inquiries on this bid should be addressed to: Harold Hamby telephone (863) 534-0575, FAX (863) 534-0802, E-Mail harold.hambyjr@polk-fl.net.

BIDDER ACKNOWLEDGMENT

The undersigned, having carefully examined the "Invitation to Bid" with any attached "Special Terms and Conditions" agrees to abide by all conditions of the bid and offers to furnish the items or services as set forth. I further certify that I am authorized to sign this bid.

_____ VENDOR NAME	_____ MAILING ADDRESS
_____ PRINT OR TYPE SIGNATURE AND TITLE	_____ CITY, STATE, ZIP
_____ WRITTEN SIGNATURE	_____ DATE
_____ TELEPHONE NUMBER (TOLL FREE, IF AVAILABLE)	_____ FAX NUMBER
_____ E-MAIL ADDRESS	_____ FEID NUMBER

DISCOUNT: Our company offers the following discount schedule: _____.

NOTE: THE ABOVE BIDDER ACKNOWLEDGMENT MUST BE SIGNED FOR YOUR BID TO BE ACCEPTED.

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS AND CONDITIONS

- CONTRACT PERIOD:** Bids that do not offer prices good until the following date will not be accepted: June 30, 2012. Contract(s) awarded from this bid will begin on July 1, 2009 and will run through June 30, 2012.
- POSTING OF BID AWARDS:** Recommended award of this bid will be posted at the School Board Administrative Offices on or about January 12 [15], 2009 and will remain posted for a period of 72 hours. Bid tabulations will not be mailed. Bid files and tabulations may be examined during normal working hours.

Please note these changes to Page 5 on the Invitation To Bid.

A. **SCOPE:** This bid is to provide a full ~~100MB~~ [200MB] Internet Access Connection.

Please note these changes to Page 10 on the Invitation To Bid.

2. Specifications:

(a) Provide a full ~~100MB~~ [200MB] Internet Access connection.

- 1) Provide assistance with the implementation of Border Gateway Protocol (BGP) between the ~~100MB~~ [200MB] connection and the Internet Access provided by Florida Department of Education (DOE).

Please note these changes to Page 11 on the Invitation To Bid.

BID FORM & SPECIFICATIONS

ITEM	UNIT	
NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	PRICE

1. Provide [200MB] Internet Connection - per specifications listed in Section T.

PRICE PER MONTH: \$ ea.

TOTAL PRICE FOR EACH 12-MONTH PERIOD: \$

Vendor SPIN # _____ (obtain from the SLD)

Number of days required for delivery after receipt of Purchase Order: _____

NOTE:

Sign the "Bidder's Acknowledgment" section on Page 1 of our "Invitation to Bid". Return the original of the Invitation to Bid and retain a photocopy for your files.

The questions below have been written exactly as they were received.

Question:

1. Question: Is the internet access which we would need to BGP our internet services currently being provided by Brighthouse networks? If not who is providing the internet access for the Florida DOE?

Answer:

The state provides an Internet connection as part of the FIRN2 network (Florida Information Resource Network) which links all educational facilities together. We currently use BGP between Brighthouse and FIRN2. FIRN2 will remain and the awarded bidder will be required to provide BGP services. Polk County Schools has its own AS number.

2. Question: In Section T.2(a)1) you have requested that Respondent "Provide assistance" with the BGP implementation. What level of expertise does Polk County School Board have within their own staff to coordinate this effort with Respondent's Network Engineers?

Answer:

Polk County School Board staff has sufficient expertise to coordinate this effort with the awarded bidder.

3. Question: Please provide details regarding access to existing Service Entrance for delivery of fiber to the Demarc?

Answer:

There is a spare conduit path from the street into the data center.

4. Question: Is the requested Demarc located within your data center?

Answer:

Yes.

5. Question: Please describe facilities to be provided to Respondent within Demarc, including rack space, grounding, electrical power interfaces, and etc?

Answer:

There is sufficient power and rack space is available for a switch / router / RIC. 110 AC is typically provided but 220 AC can be provided if necessary. Standard power receptacles are provided.

6. Question: What physical interface does Polk County School Board require for this connection?

Answer:

Polk County Schools will accept either 10/100/1000 copper or SFP based multimode GB fiber.

The questions below have been written exactly as they were received.

7. Question: Who will provide router, customer or vendor? If vendor is to provide router, do you have specifications or preferred models?

Answer:

The School Board of Polk County has a router that handles the BGP session and peering. FIRN2 has a router here and we get our connection from that router; our current vendor uses a switch and does the routing within their network. If a router or any other equipment is required by the vendor to provide the service they must provide the router or any other equipment. Any equipment the awarded bidder installs shall be able to provide the necessary BGP / routing information. The awarded bidder shall provide everything necessary to connect the School Board of Polk County to the Internet.

8. Question: Will you want an optical or electrical (RJ45) hand-off?

Answer:

Polk County Schools will accept either 10/100/1000 copper or SFP based multimode GB fiber.

9. Question: On your website, I see the current vendor's Notice of Recommended Bid Award (045-MHH-0106). What are the current rates for Internet service, or where can I find that on your website?

Answer:

The rate we are paying the current awarded vendor per month for Internet Access is \$6,700.00.