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1. <u>Question</u> – Given that PennDOT already possesses a competent API integration bus and authentication technologies, there exists a real opportunity for massive cost savings and increased application flexibility by using a cloud-based architecture; for example asynchronous JavaScript running in stateless containerized microservices on a Google stack. This would require flexibility in some portions of the requirement such as use of allowed development languages. Is PennDOT willing to evaluate these significant cost savings opportunities and what would be the vehicle to vet these proposed modifications?

<u>Answer</u> – Please refer to RFQ Section III-1 C.

2. Question – RFQ, Page 8, Section 1-5, Will the purchase orders be deliverable based or time and materials based? If deliverables based, how are the labor rates used?

<u>Answer</u> – The Purchase Orders will be deliverable-based. Please refer to Appendix GG – Work Order Requirements Section III-6 for an explanation of labor rates.

3. Question – RFQ, Page 16, Section F states: To the best knowledge of the person signing the proposal for the Contractor, the Contractor, its affiliates, subsidiaries, officers, directors, and employees are not currently under investigation by any governmental agency and have not in the last four (4) years been convicted or found liable for any act prohibited by State or Federal law in any jurisdiction, involving conspiracy or collusion with respect to bidding or proposing on any public contract, except as the Contractor has disclosed in its proposal.

Is the signatory certifying that to the best of our knowledge, no one is under investigation for conspiracy or collusion with respect to bidding or proposing on any public contract? Or, is the signatory certifying that no one is under investigation of any kind by any governmental agency?

<u>Answer</u> – Yes, the signatory is certifying that to the best of its knowledge no one is under investigation.

4. <u>Question</u> – RFQ, page 62, Section III-6 Work Plan, states that "The Initial Work Package shall be approved before any work begins on the subsequent Releases/Iterations". Whereas Appendix T – Project Timeline and Phases shows Foundational Subsystem work beginning in month 1 of the project.

Is it correct to assume that work may not begin on the Foundation Services as the scope/requirements for those services would also need to be confirmed as part of the Initial Work Package, and thus work on the Foundation Services would begin after the approval of the Initial Work Package.

<u>Answer</u> – The Appendix T - Project Timeline is correct. The work on the Foundation Subsystems can begin in month one (1) of the project start.

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5. Question – Appendices T and Y, Appendix T – Project Timeline and Phases shows the Initial Work Package being completed by month 5. Whereas, Appendix Y – Initial Work Package Deliverables indicates the Initial Work Package should be completed by Week 16. Please clarify.

<u>Answer</u> – Please refer to Appendix Y - Initial Work Package Deliverables - Revised 6.28.17.xlsx

6. Question – The RFQ seemed to indicate that on-shore proposals would be given additional points but did not seem to prohibit off-shore. Is off shore work allowed or prohibited on this project?

<u>Answer</u> – Please refer to RFQ Section I-22, Issuing Office Participation.

7. <u>Question</u> – Green contractor response marks seem incomplete. Are they meant to delineate actual responses or are they there for some other reason?

<u>Answer</u> – Potential Offerors responses should include but should not be limited to each of the areas delineated in green in their technical proposal and as described in Section I-12, Proposal Requirements as well as Part III, Technical Submittal of the RFQ.

8. Question – Regarding the answer to 49, does the fact that the NDA forms have all been processed mean that those vendors have now received the requirements and source code? We ask because we have not yet received the requirements or the legacy source code.

Answer – PennDOT will follow up directly with the company.

9. Question – Which vendors are currently working on the inspections and dealers system rewrite?

<u>Answer</u> – The inspections system and dealers system re-write is a work in progress utilizing in-house resources, including state employees, Momentum, Inc. staff, and staff augmentation resources through the contract with Optimal Solutions and Technologies, Inc. (OST).