

Addendum to:

PSERS RFP 2020-3 Retiree Dental Benefits for The Health Options Program (Hop)

As a result of Pennsylvania's Governor Tom Wolf's Proclamation of Disaster Emergency related to the emergence and spread of the novel coronavirus known as COVID-19, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania has been taking numerous steps to mitigate and prevent the spread of the virus while maintaining the programs and services provided by the Commonwealth to its citizens.

The language in Part I, Section I-10 and I-11, Proposal Requirements, is being amended as follows:

I-10

Response Date. To be considered for selection, proposal submissions as described in **Part I, Section I-11** must arrive at the Issuing Office on or before the time and date specified in the RFP Calendar of Events. The Issuing Office will **not** accept proposals via email or facsimile transmission. Offerors who send proposals by mail or other delivery service should allow sufficient delivery time to ensure timely receipt of their proposals. ~~If, due to inclement weather, natural disaster, or any other cause, the Commonwealth office location to which proposals are to be returned is closed on the proposal response date, the deadline for submission will be automatically extended until the next Commonwealth business day on which the office is open, unless the Issuing Office otherwise notifies Offerors. The hour for submission of proposals shall remain the same.~~ The Issuing Office will reject (unopened) any late proposals.

I-11 Proposal Requirements.

A. Proposal Submission: To be considered, Offerors should submit a complete response to this RFP to the Issuing Office, using the format provided in **Section I-11B**, ~~providing seven (7) paper copies [one marked "ORIGINAL"] of the Technical Submittal and one (1) paper copy of the Cost Submittal and two (2) paper copies of the Small Diverse Business and Small Business (SDB/SB) Participation Submittal and related Letter(s) of Intent.~~ In addition to the paper copies of the proposal, Offerors shall submit one **complete and exact** copy of the entire proposal (Technical, Cost and SDB/SB submittals, along with all requested documents) on CD-ROM or Flash drive in Microsoft Office or Microsoft Office-compatible format, and any spreadsheets must be in Microsoft Excel. ~~The electronic copy must be a mirror image of the paper copy.~~ The Offerors may not lock or protect any cells or tabs. Offerors should ensure that there is no costing information in the technical submittal. Offerors should not reiterate technical information in the cost submittal. The CD, DVD or Flash drive should clearly identify the Offeror and include the name and version number of the virus scanning software that was used to scan the CD, DVD or Flash drive before it was submitted. The Offeror shall make no

other distribution of its proposal to any other Offeror or Commonwealth official or Commonwealth consultant. Each proposal page should be numbered for ease of reference. An official authorized to bind the Offeror to its provisions must sign the proposal. If the official signs the **Proposal Cover Sheet (Appendix C to this RFP)** and the Proposal Cover Sheet is attached to the Offeror's proposal, the requirement will be met. For this RFP, the proposal must remain valid for **180** days or until a contract is fully executed. If the Issuing Office selects the Offeror's proposal for award, the contents of the selected Offeror's proposal will become, except to the extent the contents are changed through Best and Final Offers or negotiations, contractual obligations.

Each Offeror submitting a proposal specifically waives any right to withdraw or modify it, except that the Offeror may withdraw its proposal by written notice received at the Issuing Office's address for proposal delivery prior to the exact hour and date specified for proposal receipt. An Offeror or its authorized representative may withdraw its proposal in person prior to the exact hour and date set for proposal receipt, provided the withdrawing person provides appropriate identification, and signs a receipt for the proposal. An Offeror may modify its submitted proposal prior to the exact hour and date set for proposal receipt only by submitting a new clearly identified revised sealed proposal or sealed modification marked as "Revised Proposal" which complies with the RFP requirements.

The above referenced sections are the only sections being modified; all other sections remain the same. Except as clarified and amended by this Addendum, the terms, conditions, specifications, and instructions of the solicitation and any previous solicitation addenda, remain as originally written.