



AMENDMENT 3

**Invitation for Bid (IFB)
UOG IFB No. B23-11**

Date Issued: October 30, 2023

“INTERNET BANDWIDTH FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF GUAM (UOG)”

This is to notify all prospective offerors of the following amendment set forth below:

- 1.1 **Deadline for submission should read as follows: Monday, November 22, 2023, on or by 2:00 p.m. (your bid submission must be submitted electronically to the Bid Share folder provided by UOG Procurement Office on or before 2:00 p.m.).**
- 1.2 **Scope of Services, Letter K Delivery Requirements No. 3 must read as follows: The new Internet Service Providers (ISP) shall deliver the services solicited no later than fourteen (14) days after contract award.**
- 1.3 **Attach Question & Answer Sheet 4 as set forth in the attached.**

All other terms and conditions remain the same.

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QUESTION & ANSWER SHEET NO.4

October 27, 2023

In response to the written "Questions" and/or 'Request for Clarifications' UOG received as of September 22, 2023 @ 4:31 pm from vendor: Pacific Data Systems

Question 1: Reference Page 1 regarding the IFB language shown below related to Bid turn-in and Date for submission of questions, please clarify both dates since this language is ambiguous and implies that the bid submission date is today and if not today but September 26, 2023 as noted elsewhere in the bid then the date for submission of questions would have been September 21, 2023. This is a serious ambiguity that must be resolved by UOG to prevent significant procurement controversies.

NOTICE: The last day for UOG to accept WRITTEN QUESTIONS and/or CLARIFICATIONS is five (5) calendar days BEFORE the bid submission deadline Friday, September 22, 2023. Please adjust accordingly if the deadline is extended.

Answer: *The Deadline for written questions is five (5) days before the submission deadline. The submission deadline date is considered the fifth day. Therefore, the deadline for acceptance of written questions is Friday, September 22, 2023. Unless, the Submission Deadline is amended.*

Question 2: Reference Attachment D, Bid Security, please confirm what term of service should be used to calculate the bid security; total bid security based on 1 year of service, 2 years of service, or 5 years of service

Answer: *The Bid Security shall be 15% of the period of 2-years.*

Question 3: Reference Attachment E, MAJOR SHAREHOLDER DISCLOSURE AFFIDAVIT, this does not appear to be the current version of this form in use by the Government of Guam for this purpose. The current form can be found on the Office of the Attorney General website.

Answer: *Be advised that the University of Guam is subject to Guam's Procurement Law, but it is not subject to the centralized procurement regime created by Article 2 of Guam's Procurement Law. 5 G.C.A. §5125.*

Question 4: Reference Page 7, #25 Multi-Term Contract, the IFB at Exhibit A.II.J.1 states "The duration for the award will be a two (2) year contract with the option to renew for three (3) additional one-year periods", however the BID FORM (Exhibit B) does not show what term should be used for the amount of the bidder's offer and no mention is made of the multi-term nature of the procurement. This is a serious ambiguity that must be resolved by UOG to prevent the potential for procurement controversies in the award of this bid.

Answer: *The bidder's term shall be based off Exhibit A "Duration of Award – Item No. 1. The duration for the award will be a two (2) year contract with the option to renew for three (3) additional one-year periods."*

Question 5: Reference Page 8, Attachment A.6, please confirm that Bidders are required to submit a valid Guam Business License with their bid submission.

Answer: *Yes, the Bidder shall provide a copy of their Business License as in compliance with Guam Licensing Law.*

Question 6: Reference Page 30 II.A.2, does UOG require IPV4 Addresses to be provided or will the ISP just transit your Address blocks?

Answer: *No additional addresses are needed aside from the PTP IP link.*

Question 7: Reference Page 30 II.A.2, does UOG require IPV6 Addresses to be provided or will the ISP just transit your Address blocks?

Answer: *No additional addresses are needed aside from the PTP IP link.*

Question 8: Reference Page 30 II.B.1, we request that UOG provide additional explanation of the requirement for "BGP peering with UOG (AS395400) over multiple physical links." Please define the number of physical links and capacity as well as the purpose for this requirement.

Answer: *We would like to have peering at 2 physical devices both at 1G capacity with 50% bursting. The University of Guam provides transit services for MARIIX internal services. We would like a dedicated line for this, but no additional bandwidth is needed.*

Question 9: Reference Page 30, Exhibit A II.C.1 Please confirm that the 1GB plus burst capacity specified must be symmetrical.

Answer: *Yes.*

Question 10: Reference Page 31, Exhibit A II.F.1 Please state if the Fiber Optic facilities between the ISP Network Operations Center and the UOG service location must be buried.

Answer: *No.*

Question 11: Reference Page 31, Exhibit A II.G.1 Please state if bidders must provide network diagrams that show details of the service configuration and compliance with this requirement.

Answer: *Yes.*

Question 12: Reference Page 32, II.I Please state if a local cache server is a requirement of the procurement.

Answer: *No.*

Question 13: Reference Page 32, II.K.3 The required service delivery date is only 4 days from the current date of the bid submission, this is an unreasonable requirement and is in contradiction to Guam Procurement Law at the following sections:

13a. 5GCA § 5001.b (5), to provide increased economy in territorial activities and to maximize to the fullest extent practicable the purchasing value of public funds of the Territory; and (6) to foster effective broad-based competition within the free enterprise system;

13b. § 5010. Policy in Favor of Planned Procurement. All procurements of supplies and services shall, where possible, be made sufficiently in advance of need for delivery or performance to promote maximum competition and good management of resources. Publication of bids and requests for proposals shall not be manipulated so as to place potential bidders at unnecessary competitive disadvantage.

13c. § 5265. Maximum Practicable Competition. All specifications shall seek to promote overall economy for the purposes intended and encourage competition in satisfying the Territory’s needs, and shall not be unduly restrictive.

Due to the complex technical requirements of the bid and the requirements of coordination and testing with a secondary ISP, PDS believes that the delivery requirement for the proposed services should not be less than 90 days.

Answer: *The required service delivery date has been extended to fourteen days after contract award.*