

August 10, 2009

TO: ALL OFFERORS

FROM: HOLLYLYNN FORD, CPPB  
STATE CONTRACT PROCUREMENT OFFICER II

SUBJECT: ADDENDUM TO REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS  
CONTRACT NO.: GSS441A-Telecom Cbl  
Telecommunications Cabling

**ADDENDUM #1**

This addendum is issued to answer the questions that were received by August 7, 2009.

- 1) Are the following types of test equipment accepted by DE as approved testers?
  - a. Test-um NT-955 Validator-NT for CAT3 CAT5 CAT5E CAT6 RG-6 RG-58 RG-59 AUDIO  
A: Yes
  - b. NOYES Fiber System OPM5 (Frequencies - 850nm,1300nm,1310nm,1550nm) for Single Mode Fiber & Multi-mode Fiber  
A: Yes
- 2) Also, would you happen to know the Prevailing rate for low voltage cable installers?  
A: Please use electrician rates. Look at the description of jobs found here:  
[http://www.delawareworks.com/industrialaffairs/Forms/classification\\_of\\_workers.pdf](http://www.delawareworks.com/industrialaffairs/Forms/classification_of_workers.pdf)
- 3) Is this a set-aside for a small business?  
A: No
- 4) Is this is a set-aside for an MBE or WBE?  
A: No
- 5) Are there requirements for MBE/WBE participation? If so please provide stated goals.  
A: No

- 6) Prevailing Wages, Appendix A2, does not include any labor categories consistent with the technical requirements of a Telecommunications Cabling Contract. For example, on the pricing sheets we are to provide “Certified Technician Rates”, but as mentioned, no relevant rates are included in A2. Will a wage rate for telecommunications technician be amended to the wage scale sheet?

A: No. Use Electrician rates. Please look under classification of workers prevailing wage site.  
[http://www.delawareworks.com/industrialaffairs/Forms/classification\\_of\\_workers.pdf](http://www.delawareworks.com/industrialaffairs/Forms/classification_of_workers.pdf)

- 7) 24/7 emergency phone coverage is required. Please specify a required response time.

A: Out of service – Two (2) hour during normal business hours, four (4) hour out of normal business hours, weekends and holidays. Everything else is next business day.

- 8) There is no minimum amount of work guaranteed. Is there a similar contract with historical amounts used?

A: No

- 9) The contract references to provide a “drop”. Please define exactly what is to be included in a “drop”.

A: A drop is one cable run terminated at both ends and tested.

- 10) OSP requirements are mentioned but none are stated, and the sample project and other pricing sheets do not ask for pricing related to OPS work. Please clarify and/or provide sample OSP projects and required pricing.

A: If you are qualified to perform OSP work you can exemplify it in your response.

- 11) Item 27: Formal Contract and/or Purchase Order:

Line one and line two contradict each other. Line one states that no work will be performed without receipt of a fully executed State of Delaware Purchase Order. Line two states that a “purchase order, telephone call, fax or State credit card shall serve as the authorization to proceed with work” Which is applicable?

A: Both are applicable. A State of Delaware Purchase Order is required to secure funds for the work order request. Line two states what is required to authorize the Contractor to proceed with the work order request without a copy of a fully executed State of Delaware Purchase Order in hand. The Purchase Order number will suffice under these circumstances'.

**12)** Per Delaware Prevailing Wage Regulations, Section III Concepts and Definitions, Item A. Activity Covered; and Delaware Title 29, Chapter 6960, Prevailing Wage Requirements, Item (a), prevailing wage rates will apply to “every contract or aggregate of contracts relating to a public works project in excess of \$100,000 for new construction (including painting and decorating) or \$15,000 for alteration, repair, renovation, rehabilitation, demolition or reconstruction (including painting and decorating of buildings or works) to which this State or any subdivision thereof is a party”. For the purposes of this contract and it’s bidding, how will prevailing wage be determined? Will prevailing wage be determined based on the dollar amounts assumed to be associated with this specific “contract or aggregate of contracts”? Meaning that all labor under this contract will be prevailing wage. Or will the determination be based on the dollar amounts associated with individual jobs and/or purchase orders under this contract? Meaning that only labor associated those jobs in excess of \$15,000.00 will be prevailing wage.

A: The labor rate determination will be based on the individual jobs project total. As stated in the Prevailing Wage Regulations; in excess of \$15,000 for alteration, repair, renovation, rehabilitation, demolition or reconstruction (including painting and decorating of buildings or works) or in excess of \$100,000 for new construction (including painting and decorating).

**13)** Since there is no pre-bid this time does it mean that it is open to all bidders or only those of us who attended the previous pre-bid?

A: It is now open to all bidders.

**14)** Could you please forward me this prevailing wage doc.

A: It is on page 43 of the RFP

All other terms and conditions remain the same.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 302-857-4559.