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1. When does MDCPS anticipate the cone of silence will be lifted?

<u>Answer:</u> According to School Board Policy 6325 – Cone of Silence, "the cone of silence shall terminate at the time the item is presented by the Superintendent to the appropriate Board committee immediately prior to the Board meeting at which the Board will award or approve a contract, reject all bids or responses, or take any other action that ends the solicitation and review process."

2. Would it be possible to obtain a list of the companies that attended the pre-bid conference?

Answer: The attendance sheet is attached.

3. If the official manufacturer is not directly responding to the ITB, are they included under the Cone of Silence or can the manufacturer conduct ongoing business with the customer, such as product evaluation (specifically wired and wireless), or any other ITB related discussions?

Answer: Refer to School Board Policy 6325 "Cone of Silence" for specific information.

4. As stated during the Q&A, manufacturers of other functional equivalents will be considered and be included below that table or can we use TABLE 2 from ITB 19-001-DP?

Answer: Add additional rows to existing table 2 ITB-002-DP

5. Please confirm that as stated during the Q&A, table 4: PURCHASE ORDER SIZE DISCOUNTED PRICING, that incremental discounts beyond \$30,000 or greater can be included by responding vendor.

Answer: Yes

6. Please confirm that as stated during the Q&A, a separate discount can be broken up by HW discount, SW discount, and Services (Maintenance) discounts.

Answer: Provide products lists each identified by a specific discount percentage

7. Please confirm that other manufacturers (Specifically Cisco and Cisco Meraki) will be considered.

Answer: Yes



- 8. Contract Start date of July 1st 2020, how does that work with E-Rate and the 470 already applied for? Isn't that date in conflict?
 - a. During the Pre-Bid Conference RFQ's will begin in January 2020, these RFQ's begin before the Contract Start date?

<u>Answer:</u> Quotes may be requested of qualified vendors as early as January 2020 based on pricing and terms of the contract with the understanding that no equipment or service will be ordered until after the effective date of the contract, July 1, 2020.

9. When does the District plan to request for quotes for E-Rate and Shopping Cart?

<u>Answer:</u> The E-rate Filing Window for Funding Year 2020 is not announced yet by the Schools and Libraries Division (SLD), but is expected to be open around mid-January 2020 for E-rate Eligible Services that will start on July 1st, 2020.

10. What will be used to select the vendor for E-Rate? This ITB or the E-rate Quotes?

<u>Answer:</u> Vendors qualified as a result of this ITB will be asked to provide quotes for individual E-rate projects. A vendor will then be selected based on acceptance of proposed technology by MDCPS and best price.

11. The 470 application included this ITB, will the addendum's and these questions be amended to the 470 application?

Answer: Yes

12. How will the Local Preference be calculated for this ITB? And the quotes?

<u>Answer:</u> Local preference will be calculated when evaluating pricing submitted for RFQ's. Please see School Board Policy 6320.05 – Vendor and Employment Preferences regarding the specific application of local preference.

13. What's the purpose for the Discounts being requested if this is just to select preapproved vendors?

Answer: Initial discounts are used to identify the minimum discount off MSRP

14. Discount levels fluctuate between products, does the District want to see a range?

Answer: No. Provide products lists each identified by a specific discount percentage



15. During the Pre-Bid conference, the District agreed to breaking out the percentages for Hardware, Software&Licenses, Maintenance/Support?

Item	Manufacturer or Equivalent with Equal or Better Functionality (Percentage Discount Off Catalog/List: For additional OEM parts as may be required.)	Catalog Discount off Manufacturer's Price Hardware	Catalog Discount off Manufacturer 's Price Software/License	Catalog Discount off Manufacturer's Price Maintenance/Support
1	HPE/Aruba	%	%	%
2	Fortinet/Meru	%	%	%
3	Aerohive	%	%	%

Answer: Yes

16. There is a lot of services included in this ITB; how does that differ from the Services in the Wiring ITB and other Bids? Which bid will the District use as primary?

<u>Answer:</u> The services included in this Bid are similar to those in the Wiring Bid and were added to identify a baseline cost should the District need to use these services specifically for installation and support of wireless devices. These services will be primarily provided via the Wiring Bid (ITB-19-003-DP).

- 17. Since Platinum Level is mandatory, must you be that level for all 3 manufacturers?

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<u>Answer:</u> Bidders are only eligible to propose devices for which they have the verifiable level of Platinum or equivalent certification by the manufacturer.

18. Aerohive was recently acquired by Extreme, how will this be handled by the District? Which certification is required? Aerohive or Extreme?

<u>Answer:</u> Bidders are only eligible to propose devices for which they have the verifiable level of Platinum of equivalent certification by the manufacturer. Due to the recent acquisition and timeline for Bid submission, Aerohive will suffice.



19. During the Pre-Bid Conference, it was agreed that the "copy of the Catalog" can be a link to the OEM Website instead of providing in Excel on a Memory Stick or CD. Please confirm.

Answer: Yes

20. During the Pre-Bid Conference, it was agreed to add additional Manufacturer is permitted and to just add additional rows. Please confirm.

Answer: Yes

21. What items missing will be considered "non-responsive" versus procurement requesting after because missing from the submission?

<u>Answer:</u> Per Section 1.16, bidders may be given the opportunity to provide missing documentation that would otherwise cause the rejection of the best value for the District.

22. Mist Systems was not indicated in this ITB, we were identified in ITB-19-001. Is there any particular reason why?

<u>Answer:</u> No reason. If Bidder feels this product needs to be added, add additional row(s) to Table 2 ITB-19-002-DP. Please note the same product cannot be quoted in both Bids.

^{*}These questions and answers are provided for clarification. School Board Policy and Florida Board of Education laws shall take precedence over this document.

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