

Pete Ricketts, Governor

January 11, 2016

Dear Prospective vendor:

The State of Nebraska Purchasing Bureau is issuing the following draft solicitation:

Draft Solicitation:	DMA 2016
Service:	Data Management and Analytics
Responses Due Date:	February 11, 2016
Buyers:	Jennifer Crouse/Robert Thompson

This letter hereby requests review, comment, and recommendations from all interested parties of the Draft Request for Proposal (RFP) DMA 2016 Data Management and Analytics. The Draft RFP is being issued for informational purposes to assist the State of Nebraska in developing a Final RFP for this procurement.

The State of Nebraska is not requesting proposals at this time, and interested parties shall not submit proposals in response to the draft RFP. The State of Nebraska will not evaluate any proposals received in response to the draft RFP.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

The State expects to adhere to the tentative procurement schedule shown below. It should be noted, however, that some dates are approximate and subject to change.

ACTIVITY		DATE/TIME
1.	Release Draft Request for Proposal	January 11, 2016
2.	Last day to submit written questions (as related to processes)	January 25, 2016
3.	State responds to written questions through Request for Proposal "Addendum" and/or "Amendment" to be posted to the Internet at: http://das.nebraska.gov/materiel/purchasing.html	February 1, 2016
4.	Responses Due on or before Location: State Purchasing Bureau 1526 K Street, Suite 130 Lincoln, NE 68508 Or as.materielpurchasing@nebraska.gov Or Fax: 402-471-2089	February 11, 2016 11:59 PM Central Time

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PROCURING OFFICE AND CONTACT PERSON

Procurement responsibilities related to this Draft RFP reside with the State Purchasing Bureau. The point of contact for the Draft RFP is as follows:

Name: Jennifer Crouse/Robert Thompson
Agency: State Purchasing Bureau
Address: 1526 K Street, Suite 130
Lincoln, NE 68508

Telephone: 402-471-6500
Facsimile: 402-471-2089
E-Mail: as.materielpurchasing@nebraska.gov

COMMUNICATION WITH STATE STAFF

From the date the Draft RFP is issued and until Draft RFP responses are due (as shown in the Schedule of Events), contact regarding this Draft RFP between potential vendors and individuals employed by the State is restricted to written communication with the staff designated above as the point of contact for this Draft RFP.

The following exceptions to these restrictions are permitted:

1. Written communication with the person(s) designated as the point(s) of contact for this Draft RFP;
2. contacts made pursuant to any pre-existing contracts or obligations; and
3. State-requested presentations, key personnel interviews, clarification sessions, or discussions.

Violations of these conditions may be considered sufficient cause to reject a vendor's response to the Draft RFP. No individual member of the State or employee of the State is empowered to make binding statements regarding this Draft RFP. The State of Nebraska will issue any clarifications or opinions regarding this Draft RFP in writing.

WRITTEN QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Any explanation desired by a vendor regarding the meaning or interpretation of any Draft RFP process provision must be submitted in writing to the State Purchasing Bureau and clearly marked "Draft RFP DMA 2016; Data Management and Analytics Questions". Written questions shall pertain only to this Draft RFP process and RFP process, and shall not include questions related to the Draft RFP content. Questions and comments related to the Draft RFP content shall be submitted by following the instructions in the "Submission of Response." It is preferred that questions to the process be sent via e-mail to as.materielpurchasing@nebraska.gov. Questions may also be sent by facsimile to 402-471-2089, but must include a cover sheet clearly indicating that the transmission is to the attention of Jennifer Crouse/Robert Thompson, showing the total number of pages transmitted, and clearly marked "Draft RFP DMA 2016; Data Management and Analytics Questions".

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It is recommended that Vendors submit questions sequentially numbered, include the Draft RFP reference and page number using the following format.

<u>Question Number</u>	<u>RFP Section Reference</u>	<u>RFP Page Number</u>	<u>Question</u>

Written answers will be provided through an addendum to be posted on the Internet at <http://das.nebraska.gov/materiel/purchasing.html> on or before the date shown in the Schedule of Events.

SUBMISSION OF RESPONSE

The State of Nebraska invites all interested parties to thoroughly examine the Draft RFP in its entirety. It is recommended that Vendors submit responses sequentially numbered, include the Draft RFP reference and page number using the following format. It is preferred that responses to the Draft RFP be sent via e-mail to as.materielpurchasing@nebraska.gov. Responses may also be sent by facsimile to 402-471-2089, but must include a cover sheet clearly indicating that the transmission is to the attention of Jennifer Crouse/Robert Thompson, showing the total number of pages transmitted, and clearly marked "Draft RFP DMA 2016; Data Management and Analytics Submission of Response".

<u>Response Number</u>	<u>RFP Section Reference</u>	<u>RFP Page Number</u>	<u>Question / Response</u>

The State is also interested in information and comments found in the matrix below. Vendors may address the following as part as their response. The responses to the below shall be submitted using the matrix:

1.	What has been a vendors experience with submitting bids in an electronic format, i.e. word, pdf, etc.? Which type is preferred by the vendor? What type of electronic formats has the vendor submitted to other Government entities? Note: the State of Nebraska does not have an ERP system that allows for electronic submission of proposals and is interested in electronic formats that have been used.
	Response:
2.	The State is interested in understanding what is available from vendors related to web-based provider analytics capabilities for providers to support performance based contracting.
	Response:

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3.	The State is also interested in member based capabilities such as a personal health record prepopulated with data from claims and functionality allowing members to record health activity such as exercise, blood glucose, historic procedures, etc. via a web portal including capabilities to link smart phone applications or devices.
	Response: