

ADDENDUM THREE QUESTIONS and ANSWERS

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To: All Bidders

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RE: Addendum for Request for Proposal Number RFP Number 6152 Z1 to be opened November 18, 2019, at 2:00 P.M. Central Time.

Questions and Answers

Following are the questions submitted and answers provided for the above mentioned Request for Proposal. The questions and answers are to be considered as part of the Request for Proposal. It is the Bidder's responsibility to check the State Purchasing Bureau website for all addenda or amendments.

<u>Question Number</u>	<u>RFP Section Reference</u>	<u>RFP Page Number</u>	<u>Question</u>	<u>State Response</u>
1.	Scope of Service	1	Page 1 of this section references the Pre-Proposal Conference Date of October 3, 2019. Is this accurate?	Please see the document "Request for Proposal Revised" posted on our website. http://das.nebraska.gov/materiel/purchasing/6152/6152.html
2.	Procurement Procedure	2, C, Activity 3	This section references the Pre-Proposal Conference Date of October 18, 2019. Is this accurate?	See Question 1.
3.	Questions 10/16/2019 Procurement Procedure c. Schedule of Events	2	Because the Optional Pre-Proposal Conference is on Friday, 10/18/2019 and the last day to submit written questions after Pre-Proposal Conference is Monday	Please see Addendum One for the Revised Schedule of Events posted on the website. http://das.nebraska.gov/materiel/purchasing/6152/6152.html

			10/21/2019, will the state consider extending the deadline for questions a few days so bidders have time to meet internally to develop questions that may arise after the pre-proposal conference?	
4.	Section II, Terms & Conditions O. Performance Bond	14	Will the performance bond amount be calculated on the first year deliverables separately from renewal years? A significantly larger bond amount will be needed in the first year, and smaller bonds in subsequent renewal years of the contract. Clarification is requested.	<p>Section II.O. PERFORMANCE BOND will be deleted and superseded with the following:</p> <p>The Contractor will be required to supply a bond executed by a corporation authorized to contract surety in the State of Nebraska, payable to the State of Nebraska, which shall be valid for through final implementation of the blanking line, (Milestone 3). The amount of the bond must be equal to the amount bid for final implementation of the blanking line (Milestone 3). The bond will guarantee that the Contractor will faithfully perform all requirements, terms and conditions of the contract. Failure to comply shall be grounds for forfeiture of the bond as liquidated damages. Amount of forfeiture will be determined by the agency based on loss to the State. The bond will be returned when the contract has been satisfactorily completed as solely determined by the State, after termination or expiration of the contract.</p>
5.	Section III. L. Site Rules & Regulations	23,24	Will laptop computers be allowed into the license plate facility for installation and programming of the blanking line?	Yes. Laptops will be allowed. They will require pre-authorization from the security office. A laptop with the ability to actively communicate would be treated like a cell phone and subject to the same approvals as a cellular device, security protocols and monitoring.
6.	Section III. L. Site Rules & Regulations	23,24	Will contractor tools be allowed to be secured and kept in the facility overnight?	Tools may be kept in the facility overnight if secured in a job box type enclosure and secured by at least two devices after inventory is validated.
7.	Section III. L. Site Rules & Regulations	23,24	What are the shop working hours available to the installation	The hours for work shall be 07:30 to 15:00.

	ns		technicians?	
8.	Section III. L. Site Rules & Regulations	23,24	Will a secure network/internet line be available for dedication to the blanking line for remote diagnostics and maintenance?	Yes a network port will be made available for use during installation and diagnostics. It will not be connected during day to day operation. When needed for diagnostics a network cable will be plugged in by the shop supervisor.
9.	Section III. L. Site Rules & Regulations	23,24	Are there any clothing restrictions for the installation technicians?	Clothing for technicians should follow the site visitation guidelines for modesty. Personal protective equipment should include eye and closed toe shoes
10.	Section V. B. Project Description and Scope of Work	28, item 3a	Choice A requires NO equipment to be moved, however, on page 31 of the same section, G. item 4 requires equipment to be relocated. Please clarify.	CSI has determined Choice A will be the only option available for installation. See 6152 Z1 Revision Two posted on the website.
11.	Section V. B. Project Description and Scope of Work	28, item 3b	Choice B requires current blanking line to be relocated into choice "B". Is this supposed to be Choice A? If choice B is chosen for the new equipment, is the contractor required to relocate, reassemble and return to function the existing equipment?	Please see question 10 Please see Question 10.
12.	Section V. C. Project Requirements	30, 1. a	What is the definition of "takt" time?	Takt time is the average time between the start of production of one unit and the start of production of the next unit.
13.	Section V. C. Project	30, 1. D	Please clarify what is required of the contractor in "processing of	The contractor shall be responsible for the submittal and management of any registration or warranty information requested by the equipment manufacturer and needed to facilitate warranty claims or work for the first year. The

	Requirements		all warranty information to the appropriate entity".	contractor is responsible for a 1 year umbrella warranty. Any items with a manufactures' warranty longer than 1 year shall be transferred to CSI at the end of the first year.
14.	Section V. E. Scope of Work	30, 1. A	Please provide detail dimensions of the finished blank sizes of passenger and motorcycle plates.	<p>Passenger plate are 6"x12" with ¼" rim. Corners have a 13/16 radius. ¼" diameter holes are placed 5/8" from the top and bottom and 2 ½" from the sides.</p> <p>Motorcycle plates are 4" x 7 inches. They are flat with no rim and have a corner radius of 13/16". 1/4" mounting holes are placed 5/8 from the top and sides.</p>
15.	V.B.3.	28	How does the State propose to evaluate between competing bids if one chooses Option A. with no relocation required of the existing line, and another Choice B where relocation would be required? Option B is clearly more expensive?	See Question 10. The evaluation committee will evaluate each response based on the Requirements of the RFP.
16.	V.B.3.	28	Does the State have a preference between Choice A and Choice B?	See Question 10.
17.	V. E. 2.	30	Equipment Items to Be Furnished and Specifications: - The list of equipment does not include a heating unit prior to the applicator unit. Heating of the aluminum prior to laminating the license plate sheeting to it is recommended by the sheeting manufacturer to ensure proper adhesion and	Bidders should include all of equipment is needed in order to meet the requirements of the RFP to provide a turn-key production line. This line shall produce license plates that meets the specification V.C.1. Utilizing 3M Series 922250E/9250T retroreflective sheeting.

			subsequent in field performance. Would the state Kindly confirm whether a heating unit will be required or not?	
18.	V. E. 2.	30	Equipment Items to Be Furnished and Specifications: - The list of required equipment does not include a slug collector/vacuum /blow off. Would the state please confirm whether this equipment is required, or not?	Please see question 17.
19.	V. E. 2.	30	The equipment list does not include an outfeed conveyor from the blanking press. Would the state please confirm whether an outfeed conveyor is required, or not?	Please see question 17.
20.	V. F. 2. b.	31	Codes and Environmental Issues: - Would you please confirm that UL certification will or will not be required for all components of the license plate blanking line?	Custom control panels shall conform to UL 508A or other similar nationally or internationally recognized safety standard. Self-certification is acceptable.
21.	V. B. 3. b.		Please provide the make model	De coiler: Copar Waymouth Serial number 48-18 Straightener – Copar Waymouth Serial Number C11738

			serial number and date of installation for equipment in the current blanking line, as this will be required for a proper assessment of the cost to move it.	<p>Laminator –Utsch/3M Registration – custom build 3M Blanking Press Johnson South Bend serial number 45-W-BG-AC</p> <p>These were all installed for use in the current production line in 2003. Individual equipment may be older or was used at the time.</p>
22.	V.B.4.c	29	<p>Will the successful vendor be allowed to bring their own tools on site for the blanking line installation?</p> <p>a) If yes, what will the process be to bring in tools?</p> <p>b) If yes, will a secure storage area be provided for tools left on-site <i>after each installation day</i>?</p> <p>c) If not, will the Nebraska State Penitentiary provide all necessary tools, and can the vendor request any specialist tools be on hand?</p>	<p>Outside tools may be brought in.</p> <p>Specific security procedures will be discussed with the awarded contractor.</p> <p>If contractor plans on leaving the tools inside the secured facility, they shall plan on providing a locked storage (Job Box)</p> <p>No.</p>
23.	V. B. 2. E	28	Please provide the capacity and reach of the	Forklift is rated at 4000 lbs. @ 24 inches and has 42 inch forks.

			forklift to be made available.	
24.	III.L.1.g.	24	Will the successful vendor's technicians be allowed to bring a laptop on site for diagnostic purposes for line set up and subsequent trouble shooting and maintenance, including when inmates are present? Although there is a request form to cover this. The assessment or likelihood of use needs to be established pre-bid to allow the correct proposal options to be included with the response.	Please see question 5.
25.	III.L.1.g.	24	Will electronic devices, such as an iPad with Facetime, be allowed into the prison for trouble shooting purposes during the installation, the one-year warranty period, and beyond?	Please see question 5.
26.	V. B. 2. g.	28	Please provide details of any weight restrictions for equipment to be delivered to the installation site without modifications to	<p>CSI does not have any calculated weight restrictions. The floor is 8" thick. No special handling was necessary for the current equipment installation.</p> <p>Many factors that affect load distribution like number of axels, dual or single tires, trailer or forklift configuration, affect the load concentration. A specific plan with load details and distribution is required during the final project planning phase.</p>

			the building.	
27.	V.C.1.a.	30	What are the estimated plate volumes to be manufactured on the blanking line per day, per week and per year?	<p>The plate line run rate is very cyclic. From a reissue year to off year the volumes vary dramatically. Section V.C.1.a requires 4000 plates per hour, and thus 4 million plates per year.</p> <p>As for overall wear and efficiency calculations CSI estimates an average of 2000 plates per hour, 18,000 per week and 1 million a year.</p>
28.	III.L	23	Please confirm the hours that the installation site will be available to the contractor.	Please see Question 7.
29.	V.E.1.b.	30	Please provide a scale drawing of the current aluminum blanks, both large and small. This is required to make an accurate determination of design costs.	CSI does not have a drawing at this time. Please see Question 14 for detailed dimensions.
30.	V.E.1.b.	30	Please provide the exact dimensions of the reflective sheeting to be laminated to the aluminum, and the core dimensions of reflective sheeting rolls to be used in the applicator.	The current sheeting is supplied in both 7" and 12" nominal widths. The slitting tolerance is plus 1/32" minus 1/16" with a 3 inch core.
31.	V.B.2.b.	28	<p>What are the current electrical specifications (Voltage, Amperage, Phase) of the existing blanking line?</p> <p>What is the amperage(S) available from</p>	<p>The current blanking line equipment operate on 230V 3 phase power. All machines for the line have approximately 75 amps load on the existing panel. Per section V.F.2.a.i.2, CSI will be responsible for all electrical drops to the equipment locations.</p> <p>Section V.B.2.b. has been deleted and superseded with the following:</p> <p>Electrical Power is available in single phase 120V, 3 phase 240, The main connection panel is located approximately 160 feet from the proposed line location. CSI will run electrical drops to the new location as needed.</p>

			the panel?	
32.	V.E.1.b.	30	What is the repeat distance of the graphic design on the pre-printed reflective sheeting?	The preprinted sheeting repeats at 5.970" to allow for stretch.
33.	V. B. 3. a. and b. and V. G. 4.	28	Is it the states intention to have two functioning blanking lines at the end of the project or just one new one?	This question is outside the scope of the RFP.
34.	V. B. 3. a.	28	<p>If the State only requires one functioning blanking line at the end of the project, would the State consider upgrading the current line.</p> <p>This could be achieved by just upgrading the stretch and register equipment to a newer electronic model. This would make the States blanking line sheeting agnostic, provided the other parts of the blanking line are owned by the State and are functional?</p>	<p>CSI does not want to upgrade the existing line.</p> <p>Not applicable.</p>

			Can the State confirm that it owns the entire blanking line with the exception of the stretch and register sheeting applicator?	Not applicable.
35.			When do you anticipate the photos taken during the site visit will be posted to the procurement portal?	Please see photos posted on the website under "Optional Pre-Proposal Meeting Registration Sheet".
36.	Attachment #2, V. Item #5 One (1) Blanking Press	Page 3 of 6	<p>The Requirement Matrix Specification referenced in the RFP appear to be from one equipment manufacturer from Europe.</p> <p>Will a Response submitted using proven equipment and method be accepted if meeting the basic specs of speed/quality and service level expected by Nebraska?</p>	Yes, please see section V.C.1
37.	Attachment #2, VI. Item #6 Three (3) Two Stage Compound Blanking Rimming die	Page 4 of 6	Will a Response submitted with one passenger die and a second set of cutting steels (piece of the die that needs to be	No CSI requires the ability to swap complete die sets.

			sharpened) meet the requirement of 2 passenger dies in this referenced section of the RFP?	
38.	Attachment #2, VI. Item #6 Three (3) Two Stage Compound Blanking Rimming die	Page 4 of 6	Is Nebraska's motorcycle license Plate Flat?	Yes Nebraska's motorcycle plate is flat.
39.	RFP 6152 Z1 Final Revision One, V. Project Description and Scope Of Work, b.	Page 28	"b .Electrical Power is available in single phase 120V, 3 phase 240, 3 phase 480 volts. The main connection panel is located approximately 160 feet from the proposed line location." Please confirm all 3 forms of electrical power are available: single phase 120V, 3 phase 240, 3 phase 480 volts.	Please see Question 31.

This addendum will become part of the proposal and should be acknowledged with the Request for Proposal response.