## ADDENDUM ONE QUESTIONS and ANSWERS

Date: March 22, 2022

To: All Bidders

From: Dianna Gilliland/Joy Fischer, Buyers

AS Materiel State Purchasing Bureau (SPB)

RE: Addendum for Request for Proposal Number 6676 Z1 to be opened April 7, 2022 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.

Question Number	RFP Section Reference	RFP Page Number	Question	State Response
1.	Section IV, B- PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND SCOPE OF WORK; SCOPE OF WORK	27	For programming that requires clean- up for re-broadcast what program video reference material is provided? How is it made available? What is the required turnaround time for cleaned up files?	The station will upload a .mp4 file of the program to a Signiant Media Shuttle shared portal as soon as the .mp4 transcode finishes, following the program's conclusion. This usually takes 2x of the length of the program (120 minutes to create a 60-minute file), then the proxy is uploaded as soon as they're available. Cleaned files must be delivered within 24 hours of original program airing.
2.	Section V, D- PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND SCOPE OF WORK	28	What type of caption output format is the expected deliverable for rebroadcast programs?	Under the current model, files are re-fed in real time via iCap software connected to hardware encoders. This is the preferred method going forward, as sidecar files can't be attached within the existing server for re-broadcast.
3.	Section IV, B- PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND SCOPE OF WORK; SCOPE OF WORK	27	In terms of scheduling the daily start time of the legislature, will there always be a hard scheduled start time provided for (e.g. 9am CT or 10am CT) or will the vendor need to have realtime captioners in place and ready to start at 9am CT each day,	The schedule is communicated on a monthly basis with the most current information. As soon as new information or requests come in that differ from the previously agreed

			and then the legislature will start whenever they're convened and ready to begin	upon plans, those are passed on for scheduling ASAP.
4.	V	27	Would the State of Nebraska accept an automated captioning solution which is compatible with iCap software?	No. The services covered by this contract are specifically for live human stenographers.
5.	V	27	Would State of Nebraska accept a scalable semi-automated captioning solution, which is iCap comptabile, that is based on a human-plus-tech model that outperforms the quality of standard automated captioning products?	No, refer to Question #4
6.	V	27	Can State of Nebraska provide information on its historical usage of these services? E.g. how many hours were captioned for State of Nebraska in 2021?	In Calendar Year 2021, the following hours were used: Live English: 788 hours Live Spanish: 39 hours English Offline/Cleanup: 59 hours Spanish Offline/Cleanup: 2 hours  These numbers include hours for which stenographers were scheduled, but the program was cancelled within 24 hours of production.
7.	V	27	Will there be any components of the contract which requires captioning for post-production/pre-recorded media?	No.
8.	V	27	Who is State of Nebraska's current provider for these services?	Caption Solutions, L.L.C. – 75697 O4
9.	Proposal Submission A, b	29	What kind of financial statements do you need? P&L? Blank?	Refer to RFP Section VI.A.1.b. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
10.	Procurement Procedure E	3	Can foreign companies (Lest's say CA) apply for this Solicitation? If so, what additional information is required along with our Bid submission? Business License? SOS Good Standing letter?	Refer to RFP Section I.E. SECRETARY OF STATE/TAX COMMISSIONER REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS (Statutory)
11.	Initial Page	1 out of 41	You stated that we must write a written document showing that the release of proprietary information would give a business advantage, in the case of company financials, that is not the case. What should we include on our written document instead? Or would you prefer we add "Confidential" in big red letter across so you know you cannot include that?	Identifying financial statements as "Confidential" is acceptable.

12.	Background	N/A	Is there an incumbent, if so, who is it and what are their rates?	Refer to Question #8.
13.	Background	N/A	Is there a budget allocated to this contract?	Yes.
14.	Background	N/A	Will this be awarded to a single vendor or multiple?	The State's intent is to award to a single bidder, but the State will award in its best interest.  Refer to RFP Section I.W. AWARD.
15.	Background	N/A	What was last year's volume for each language?	Refer to Question #6.
16.	SOW; B	27	It states, "there may be instance where a minimum of three (3) caption data feeds will be needed, "please explain what you mean by caption data feeds. Does it mean three separate sessions at the same time?	Yes. For example, one person captioning a sporting event in English, another captioning a studio show in English and another live translating that same studio show in Spanish.

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