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Pete Ricketts, Governor

## ADDENDUM ONE QUESTIONS and ANSWERS

Date: January 28, 2016  
To: All Bidders  
From: Jennifer Crouse/Robert Thompson, Buyers  
AS Materiel State Purchasing Bureau  
RE: Addendum for Draft Request for Proposal Number DMA 2016  
to be opened February 11, 2016; 11:59 PM Central Time

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### 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.	Submission of Response	Pg 3	<p><i>“All interested parties are to thoroughly examine the Draft RFP in its entirety. It is recommended that Vendors submit responses sequentially numbered.”</i></p> <p>It is our understanding that the Draft RFP comment process is to assist with recommendations to possibly strengthen the RFP for the State and support its success, not to submit information about offerings or solutions through this process. Please confirm this understanding is correct and that all responses should be in the form of commentary regarding the RFP, not solutions for it.</p>	<p>Yes, all responses should be in the form of comments or questions regarding the draft RFP and solutions and proposal responses will not be considered.</p>
2.	NA	NA	<p><b>Total Data Volumes Over Time for Structured Data:</b> Can the state estimate the total data volume in terabytes or gigabytes that will be required in this solution at each year-end of the project for structured data so we can see the anticipated data space growth required over the life of the entire project? (There is no need for index or temporary spaces; the volume of data to be loaded will be fine.)</p>	<p>Only questions pertaining to the Draft RFP process and RFP Process are accepted during the Question and Answer period of this draft RFP. Any comments or questions related to the content of the Draft RFP should be submitted with the “Submission of Response” to the Draft RFP.</p> <p><b>WRITTEN QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS</b></p> <p>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”. <u>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.”</u> It is preferred that questions to the process be sent via e-mail to <a href="mailto:as.materielpurchasing@nebraska.gov">as.materielpurchasing@nebraska.gov</a>. 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.”</p>

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				<p><b>SUBMISSION OF RESPONSE</b></p> <p>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 <a href="mailto:as.materielpurchasing@nebraska.gov">as.materielpurchasing@nebraska.gov</a>. 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."</p>
3.	NA	NA	<p><b><u>Total Data Volumes Over Time for Unstructured Data:</u></b> Can the state estimate the total data volume in terabytes or gigabytes that will be required in this solution at each year-end of the project for unstructured data so we can see the anticipated data space growth required over the life of the entire project?</p>	See answer to question 2.
4.	NA	NA	<p><b><u>Inventory of Source Systems and Tables for Analytics:</u></b> Can the State provide an inventory of source systems and tables to include in this solution, e.g. the estimated number of data elements (i.e., columns), any complex data transformations required, update frequency, update volume, current size (storage), and required/desired history load?</p>	See answer to question 2.
5.	NA	NA	<p><b><u>User Concurrency Over Time:</u></b> Can the state estimate the maximum number of concurrent users focused on analytics on this solution during each year of the project so we can see the anticipated growth over the life of the entire project?</p>	See answer to question 2.
6.	NA	NA	<p><b><u>Mainframe Connectivity:</u></b> Will the state need direct connectivity between their mainframe or mainframes and this solution? If yes, then for each mainframe:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Please stipulate that it should be with either FICON or ESCON?</li> <li>2. If the state is planning to host the solution,</li> </ol>	See answer to question 2.

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			<p>what is the approximate distance between each mainframe and the intended solution platform's location? If the state won't be hosting this solution, please provide the approximate location (city will be fine) so we can plan telecommunications.</p> <p>3. What are the manufacturer and model of the mainframe?</p>	
7.	NA	NA	<p><b>Dev-QA-UAT-and-Prod Environments:</b> Does the state require physically separate data warehouse database platforms for each of these environments, or some subset of them? Alternatively, will a smaller number of physically separate database platform with multiple data sets &amp; databases suffice (e.g. one set of tables for production, one set of tables for development, etc., all on the same physical platform)?</p>	See answer to question 2.
8.	NA	NA	<p><b>Extract Files:</b> Will the State provide extract files from their legacy systems in a mutually agreed upon format where these files are accessible on the network or will the vendor have access to these systems in order to build the extracts?</p>	See answer to question 2.
9.	NA	NA	<p><b>Data Governance Policy:</b> Does the State have a Data Governance policy in place to manage the various agencies that will be providing and using the data involved in this project? If so, can you please provide us with a copy of it?</p>	See answer to question 2.
10.	NA	NA	<p><b>Standardized Software Tools:</b> Does the State have standardized software they expect the vendor to use for activities such as Analytical Modeling, Business Intelligences Reporting and ETL (extract, transform and load)? If so, please advise what these tools are, i.e. vendor, product name, and release.</p>	See answer to question 2.
11.	NA	NA	<p><b>Time Service Level Goals:</b> Can the state stipulate an acceptable lag time for introducing data into the system from the various source systems?  Can the state stipulate an acceptable time for system response to a user request for information?</p>	See answer to question 2.

12.	Cover Letter	1	Regarding the due date for responses, we respectfully request an extension to provide adequate time to respond to the 400+ requirements contained in the Statement of Work. Would the state be willing to grant at least a two week extension?	<p>At this time, Submission of Response date will remain as posted in the Schedule of Events in the Draft RFP Instructions.</p> <p>Questions and comments related to the Draft RFP content shall be submitted by following the instructions in the "Submission of Response." The State is not requesting proposals at this time.</p>
13.			What is the length of the contract award for this RFP. For example your Medicaid integrated eligibly project has a six year committed for S&S plus two - 2 year periods for NTE S&S. What time period(s) need to be included for this project?	See answer to question 2.
14.			This is listed as a DRAFT RFP. Is the State looking for feedback on the questions and format in the RFP? Or is the State looking for actual responses to the questions in the RFP -- So the State can evaluate if the materials would be sufficient to make an award.	<p>The Draft RFP is being issued for informational purposes to assist the State of Nebraska in developing a Final RFP for this procurement.</p> <p>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.</p>
15.			Does participation in this DRAFT RFP impact our ability to respond to the real RFP?	Participation with the Draft RFP does not impact a vendor from responding to the released RFP for solicitation.

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