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December 6, 2024

AMENDMENT NO.: III

TO

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL NO.: GPA-RFP-24-014

FOR

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND PROJECT MANAGEMENT SUPPORT SERVICES

Interested Firms/Individuals are hereby notified of the following changes and response to inquiries received from Proponent No.: 6 dated October 24, 2024:

CHANGES:

1. Closing Date is changed *FROM* Friday, December 6, 2024 at 4:00 P.M. *TO NOW READ* Friday, December 20, 2024 at 4:00 P.M.

REMOVE and REPLACE:

2. *REMOVE* Page 7b of 47 and *REPLACE* with 7c of 47 (see attached):

4th paragraph is changed:

FROM:

Request for Proposal No.: GPA-RFP-24-014 must be submitted before 4:00 P.M., December 6, 2024 in a sealed envelope indicating the RFP number and addressed as follows:

*** *TO NOW READ:***

Request for Proposal No.: GPA-RFP-24-014 must be submitted before 4:00 P.M., December 20, 2024 in a sealed envelope indicating the RFP number and addressed as follows:

3. *REMOVE* Page 8 of 47 and *REPLACE* with 8a of 47 (see attached):

Under Section 1.6 Clarification on Request for Proposal is changed

FROM:

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RESPONSE:

Proponent No. 6 inquiry dated 10/24/2024:

QUESTION:

1. Please clarify Section 4.1. Regarding understanding of GPA's overall network design/traffic flow, routing and controls. Will any network or control documentation be provided to prospective Proposers prior to the submission deadline?

ANSWER:

Any related network or infrastructure documentation will be provided to the awarded proponent based on the Task Order requirements and information required to complete the project. All information passed to the awarded proponent is considered confidential and will not be shared outside of the related Task Order. GPA vendors will be required to follow GPA's Cybersecurity policy.

QUESTION:

2. Regarding Section 4.4.1. Are sub-contractors allowed for the fulfillment of the obligations outlined in the Scope of Work of this RFP? Can 1099 / independent contractors working for the OFFEROR be used to deliver the scope of work?

ANSWER:

As per the 4.4.1. Personnel providing the service(s) are required to be full-time employees of awarded proponent.

QUESTION:

3. Please clarify Section 4.5. Does GTA expect to write and issue the Task Orders? Will this be the OFFEROR, GPA, or some other party?

ANSWER:

The Task Order will be written by the awarded Vendor based on the Scope of Work requested by the GPA.

QUESTION:

4. Please clarify Section 1.4. Although Section 4.5 indicates a pricing proposal structure, as indicated in Section 1.4. Can you confirm that only non-priced proposals should be submitted by proposal deadline?

ANSWER:

This is to confirm that non-price proposals are to be submitted by the proposal deadline.

QUESTION:

5. In Section 4.6. Does SQL in this case refer to Microsoft SQL Server?

ANSWER:

Yes. SQL refers to Microsoft SQL.

QUESTION:

6. Regarding Section 4.6. Will GPA provide any documentation that describes the number, placement, age, and/or disposition, connectivity, and size of the equipment listed in the RFP prior to the submission deadline?

ANSWER:

Refer to *ANSWER* for *QUESTION No. 1* above.

QUESTION:

7. Must all SMEs be US Citizens and perform tasks locally or is remote work by foreign nationals permitted.

ANSWER:

All Subject Matter Experts (SME's) must be vetted by GPA based on the Authority's Cybersecurity policy and 3rd party contractor approval process e.g. background check and related clearances. Remote work is allowed on a case by case basis.

QUESTION:

8. What is the estimated number of annual billable hours per SME position?

ANSWER:

Billable hours will be based on proposed task orders approved by GPA. There is no set limit for annual total billable hours.

QUESTION:

9. What is the timeline required to accepting SME Task Orders after Contract finalization?

ANSWER:

Task Order(s) approval will be based project need and Scope of Work. Expected timeline for Task Order acceptance should be approximately 2 weeks.

QUESTION:

10. What Government approvals (CCU, GPUC, AG, etc.) are required prior to finalization of any award for this procurement?

ANSWER:

The approval(s) is dependent on the negotiated contract award.

QUESTION:

11. What is the estimated timeline for the approval process described in #10 above?

ANSWER:

Refer to *ANSWER* to *QUESTION No. 10* above.

QUESTION:

12. Is any bonding required at anytime during the procurement?

ANSWER:

No performance or payment bonds are required under this RFP.

QUESTION:

13. What provisions are available under this arrangement for billing of additional expenses related to overhead and administration of the contract?

ANSWER:

All cost and related expenses should be documented on the Task Order for the Scope of Work. Kindly refer to Section 4.5 Pricing Proposal Structure (other additional information).

QUESTION:

14. Ref Page 21 of 47, Section XIV – SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRACT PROVISIONS, please provide any supplemental contract provisions that would be applicable to this procurement?

ANSWER:

Response shall be forthcoming.

QUESTION:

15. Do the evaluation factors include a local procurement preference?

ANSWER:

The local procurement preference application does not apply to this procurement.

QUESTION:

16. Please clarify the deadline for submission of any questions for this procurement; the current procurement wording is contradictory regarding the deadline to submit questions. Page 8 of 47 Section 1.6 implies October the 31, 2024 as the deadline while page 10 or 47 Section

ANSWER:

Refer to *CHANGES No. 3* above.

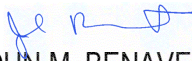

QUESTION:

17. Based on the answer to #16 above, please advise when Proposers can expect to receive GPA's response to these questions in order to ensure sufficient time for Proposers to evaluate and to formulate their offers accordingly or to ask additional clarifying questions. Please note that Guam Procurement Regulations (2GAR§3109. (i)3) require that proposers be given reasonable period of time to review and evaluate any clarifications/amendments and if needed that the submission date for the procurement should be modified to provide this additional time.

ANSWER:

Refer to *CHANGES* above.

All other Terms and Conditions in the RFP package shall remain unchanged and in full force.


JOHN M. BENAVENTE, P.E.
 General Manager

All submittals must strictly conform to the Request for Proposal and any addenda.

One (1) bound paper original, five (5) bound paper copies, and one (1) electronic PDF format copy of each proposal, consisting of technical and commercial sections, must be submitted, including all addenda, if any. Any and all sample documentation (reports of similar jobs, brochures, etc.) that will assist towards OFFEROR's evaluation may be furnished with each proposal.

No submittal shall be considered complete unless accompanied by all items specified in these submittal instructions.

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To: Guam Power Authority-Procurement Office
1st. Floor, Room 101
Gloria B. Nelson Public Service Building
688 Route 15
Mangilao, Guam 96913

Attn: JOHN M. BENAVENTE, P.E.
General Manager

Examination of RFP Documents: OFFEROR shall examine the RFP documents to inform himself of all conditions and requirements for the execution of the proposed work. Ignorance on the part of OFFEROR of any part of the Request for Proposal will in no way relieve him/her of the obligations and responsibilities assumed under the Contract.

Interpretation of the Approximate Quantities: OFFEROR's attention is called to the fact that any estimate of quantities of work to be done and materials to be furnished under the Contract as shown on the technical requirements section or elsewhere, is approximate only and not guaranteed. OWNER does not assume any responsibility that the final quantities shall remain in strict accordance with the estimated quantities, nor shall OFFEROR plead misunderstanding or deception because of such estimate of quantities or of the character, location of the work or other conditions pertaining thereto.

Familiarity with Laws: OFFEROR is assumed to be familiar with Federal and Local laws, ordinances, rules and regulations that in any manner affect the work. Ignorance on the part of OFFEROR will in no way relieve him/her from responsibility. The preparation and submission of a proposal will be by and at the expense of the OFFEROR.

1.5 EXPLANATION TO OFFERORS

No oral explanation in regard to the meaning of the specification will be made and no oral instructions will be given before the award of the proposal. Discrepancies, omissions, or doubts as to the meaning of the specifications must be communicated in writing to the named contact individual of the Guam Power Authority requesting for interpretation. OFFERORS should act promptly and allow sufficient time for a reply to reach them before the submission of their proposals. Interpretation, if required, shall be made in the form of an

amendment to the specifications, which will be forwarded to all prospective OFFERORS, and its receipt by the OFFEROR should be acknowledged on the proposal form.

* 1.6 CLARIFICATION ON REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

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1.7 ALTERNATE PROPOSALS

GPA reserves the right to withhold its approval of any or all alternates proposed by OFFERORS and to deny any or all requests for such approvals.

1.8 MODIFICATION OR WITHDRAWAL OF PROPOSALS

An OFFEROR may modify or withdraw its proposal by written request, provided that the request is received by GPA at the address indicated and prior to the time specified for the submission of proposals. Any proposals or submittals received after the time and date set for receipt of proposals or submittals will be considered late. No late modification or withdrawal will be considered unless received before the date of opening. Following withdrawal of its proposal, an OFFEROR may submit a new proposal, provided the new proposal is received by GPA prior to the time specified for the submission of proposals. There shall be no modifications or withdrawals after the opening date.

GPA may modify any provision of the Request for Proposal at any time prior to the time specified for the submission of proposals. Such modifications may be made in the form of addenda, which will be issued simultaneously to all OFFERORS.

Any addenda issued will be mailed to all OFFERORS in duplicate. OFFEROR shall acknowledge receipt of same by his signature on copy, which is to be returned to OWNER. The other copy shall accompany the proposal or submittal. Acknowledgement may also be made in writing or by telex or telegram.

Negligence on the part of the OFFEROR in preparing the proposal confers no right for the withdrawal of the proposal after it has been opened.

1.9 COMPLETE PROPOSALS

OFFERORS are requested to submit proposals, which are complete and unambiguous without the need for additional explanation or information. GPA may make a final determination as to whether a proposal is