May 7, 2014

SUBJECT: MODIFICATION NO. 2 TO REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS – TRANSPORTATION MANAGEMENT CENTER OPERATION SERVICES FOR NYSDOT
Contract #C031190 - JTMC Operations in NYC
Contract #C031191 - TOC Operations in Central New York

Reference is made to the subject solicitation wherein the following formal changes are hereby incorporated:

1. In accordance with Section 1.9 of the Request for Proposals, the due date for submitting proposals has been extended to May 16, 2014 at 12 noon. Delete the original Section 6.8, and substitute the following:

6.8 Tentative Schedule of Events

NYSDOT will attempt to adhere to the following tentative schedule with regard to progressing this solicitation:

RFP Release Date: April 8, 2014
Question Submittal Deadline: April 25, 2014
Proposals Due: May 16, 2014, 12 noon Eastern Time
Recommendation & Designation: Approximately June 2, 2014
Contract Finalizing: Two weeks
Contract Award: 4–6 weeks after completion of contract finalizing.

2. Incorporate the attached Questions and Answers into Attachment 18: Questions and Answers.
The project web site is located at the following NYSDOT web page:
https://www.dot.ny.gov/portal/page/portal/doing-business/opportunities/consult-opportunities#c1725

No other provision of the solicitation is otherwise changed or modified.

To be deemed responsive, all firms submitting proposals in response to this Request for Proposals (RFP) must acknowledge receipt of this formal modification to the RFP via Form AOR, Attachment 12
ATTACHMENT 18

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Revised Questions and Answers
Questions 33, 34, 35, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51

33. In reference to 3.2.10 Task 10—System Computer Network and Hardware/Software Support (pages 36-40), 2.), please verify that the computers in the TMCs covered by the two contracts have all been updated to Window 7 or later in accordance with the Statewide NYSIT initiative?

Response: At the time of Modification 2 to the Request for Proposals (RFP), NYSDOT is upgrading all computers in the Department. The computers used at the TMC’s will be upgraded when scheduled.

34. Will the successful bidder be responsible to complete the update if it has not been done?

Response: We do not foresee the designated Consultants having to complete the update.

35. Section 7.10 Attachment 10: Titles and Descriptions, System Engineer (pages 124-125) requires a minimum of four certifications, which exceeds the requirements of most other NYSDOT regions and may inhibit recruiting qualified staff for this position. Would NYSDOT consider a combination of certification and experience as replacement for the four separate certifications?

Response: At a minimum, the proposed System Engineer must be CCNA certified. For the other three certifications stated in Attachment 10, previous equivalent work experience may be substituted. Certifications must be detailed in item 8F of Attachment 16-2 and the substitute work experience must be identified and described in item 8H.

47. Page 24, Section 3.3.2.3.13 – Can NYSDOT clarify what state supplied reporting and monitoring equipment will be supplied at each TOC and the JTMC?

Response: The Upstate TOC’S use a variety of manufacturer-based applications to communicate with field ITS elements. These include Vanguard, ADDCO Base Station, Vultron Net Manager and MIST. The TOC’S anticipate the installation of new ATMS software that will likely replace many or the entire vendor based applications. The TOC’S also use locally developed database applications, Open reach, CARS and NY-Alert. For the JTMC, the ATMS system includes monitoring and control of overhead signs, closed circuit television cameras, video wall, vehicle detectors and highway advisory radio equipment. A Transportation Asset Management System (TAMS) is used for reporting and tracking ITS equipment maintenance. Web-based systems include 511NY, NY-Alert, and Open Reach for providing traveler information and monitoring the transportation network.

48. Page 30, Section 3.3.4.3.4 – How does this section differ from Section 3.3.4.3.2? What is NYSDOT’s intent with Section 3.3.4.3.4?
Response: Section 3.3.4.3.4 covers many of the same duties/tasks as 3.3.4.3.2. It does include additional language regarding the need to work with partner agencies.

49. Page 124 – Is the on-site SE to have the stated minimum certifications, or are they preferred certifications?
Response: See the answer to Question #35

50. See Page 23, Section 3.3.2.3.10 of the NYSDOT JTMC / RTOC RFP. Please provide a description of systems currently used at each TMC related to this task
Response: See the answer to Question #47.

51. What specific equipment and locations are required for the inventory tracking portion of the RFP?
Response: The State will provide a Transportation Asset Management System (TAMS) workstation at the JTMC and at the satellite office.