SOUTH CAROLINA EDUCATION LOTTERY SOLICITATION NUMBER: FY17-20 CFPB GDSP Questions/Answers

Amendment 3 Issued Thursday, September 14, 2017

QUESTIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY: Wed., Sept. ## 20, 2017, at 11 a.m. local time. SUBMIT OFFER BY (Opening Date/Time): Thursday, Sept. ## 28, 2017, at 2 p.m. local time. (Not a public bid opening)

NUMBER OF COPIES TO BE SUBMITTED: (Please choose one of the following three (3) methods.) One (1) original hard copy by mail; 2) an electronic copy via email to POS@sclot.com; or 3) instructions on how to download samples from a website or FTB site, including a contact name and phone number.

AWARD WILL BE POSTED: Friday, September 29 October 6, 2017 http://www.sceducationlottery.com/lottery/procurement.aspx

NOTE: Questions 1-8 can be found in Attachment 2, listed under the Amendments Column for the September 6, 2017, listing for Solicitation Number: FY17-20 CFPB GDSP.

Question 9

- Q: With the prediction of Hurricane Irma making landfall early next week and our agency is located along the SC coast line, could there be the possible chance that the due dates may get extended.
- A: Yes. The Marketing and Product Development Department's Procurement Staff determined it would be prudent to push the solicitation's deadlines back a week to ensure the process was fair and equitable to all vendors. See the new due dates above and on the website.

Question 10

- Q: The dates listed in the solicitation are for April 2017. The solicitation was not posted until September 6, 2017. Which is the correct information?
- A: For most procurement methods allowed under the South Carolina Consolidated Procurement Code, once a vendor or vendors are awarded, no additional vendors may be added. The exception is the Fixed Price Bid method. The agency posting the solicitation may add vendors after the original award at times of the agency's choosing. The new vendors must go through the same process, be evaluated, and approved in order to be placed on the Qualified Provider List.

Each vendor must:

- 1) Provide all the information requested in the solicitation, including samples of their work;
- 2) Have their work samples evaluated by the three Evaluation Committee Members: and

3) Be approved by two of the three evaluators in order for the vendor to be placed on the QPL for FY17-20 CFPB GDSP.

Under Section I, Scope of the Solicitation, on Page 4, Paragraph C states:

"C. During the existence of this QPL, SCEL may add additional gualified Providers every four (4) months in September, January, and May in the first year. Starting in the second year, additional Providers may be added every six (6) months, May and November."

This information is also provided in the Addition to the QPL Memo.

This fixed price bid contract has the potential to run for three years until May 4, 2020, or until the value of the contract runs out when the \$50,000 limit is reached. While the originally awarded vendors receive a three-year contract, vendors added later receive a contract for the length of time left until May 4, 2020, or until the \$50,000 limit is reached, whichever occurs first.

NOTE: The last attachment on the last page of the solicitation is a Solicitation Timeline which may assist vendors new to doing business with State Agencies in South Carolina.

Please continue to monitor this website for any amendment posted in response to the new deadline to receive questions, Wednesday, September 20, 2017, at 11 a.m. local time.

Vendors should monitor the website to check for amendments and will need to acknowledge they had the opportunity to read any amendments posted when sending their quote. There are several ways to acknowledge an amendment. By identifying the amendment number and date and printing out the table 1) on the Specifications and Bidding Schedule in the solicitation or 2) at the end of each amendment posted vendors acknowledge receipt of amendments. Vendors may also 3) sign and return the amendment or 4) acknowledge by letter.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF AMENDMENTS:

Offeror acknowledges receipt of amendments by indicating amendment number and its date of issue.

Amendment No.	Amendment Issue Date:						

Should you have additional questions, please send them in writing to: POS@sclot.com

Questions will be answered and posted on the SCEL Procurement webpage: http://www.sceducationlottery.com/lottery/procurement.aspx

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