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Solicitation No.: CN250107CMR

Solicitation Name: Resilient Communication Towers

Subject: Addendum Number 1

The following represents clarification, additions, deletions, and/or modifications to the above referenced bid. This addendum shall hereafter be regarded as part of the solicitation. Items not referenced herein remain unchanged, including the response date. Words, phrases or sentences with a strikethrough represent deletions to the original solicitation. Underlined words and bolded, phrases or sentences represent additions to the original solicitation.


1. QUESTIONS/ANSWERS

1.	Will the currently awarded GCN vendor be responsible for the installation and maintenance of the County's GCN/P25 network systems following the completion of the "Resilient Communication Towers"?
Answer	The County is currently soliciting proposals for the design phase. The construction, along with the specific responsibilities involved, will be determined and included as part of the scope for the selected bidder.
2.	Will the county require that the selected vendor take on the responsibility of leasing, marketing, and negotiating with potential lessees for the available vertical real estate on Lee County's five new communications towers?
Answer	This is not a requirement for this solicitation.
3.	What is the required / proposed tower height to meet the specifications of the P25 network?
Answer	County is open to bidders' design considerations. In most cases, the towers will be replacing existing leased structures; generally speaking, the existing towers are less than 300 feet.
4.	Is there a preferred type of communications structure for Lee County, such as a Monopole, Self-Supporting Tower, or Guyed Tower? (Suggesting five identical or comparable vertical communication structures can facilitate a more straightforward approach to long-term repairs and modifications)
Answer	County is open to bidders' design considerations. Currently, the County manages each type of tower.
5.	What are the addresses owned by the county for the five proposed Resilient Communications Towers?
Answer	The current plan is to install the facilities on County-owned land in Burnt Store, Lehigh Acres, North Fort Myers, as well as in unincorporated areas of Southwest and Southeast Fort Myers. Per Florida Statutes § 119.071(3)(c) the location of communication towers and other critical infrastructure that are used to support public safety are exempt from public record requirements.

6.	Is it necessary for the P25 base station and equipment to be housed in a communications shelter, or can the P25 network base station function effectively from an exterior weather-rated enclosure?
Answer	County is open to bidders' design considerations. Currently, the County houses equipment in communications shelters.
7.	In the case of a natural disaster occurring before the "Resilient Communications Towers" project is finalized, does the county have an existing vendor ready to supply temporary "Cell on Wheels" to maintain network coverage until the permanent network can be restored?
Answer	The County is currently soliciting proposals for the design phase, which will include considerations for operational resiliency as a key component of the design.
8.	We offer comprehensive communications construction services, including FCC filings, FAA Determinations, Caison Drilling, Tower Erection etc. We engage a sub-consultant / firm for our design, and engineering inquiries on a case-by-case basis. Will the county consider a proposal from a State Licensed (TOWER SPECIALTY) contractor who will carry out the construction work while collaborating with our sub-consultant/partner for the initial planning, design, engineering, and grant documentation as outlined in this solicitation?
Answer	The County is currently soliciting proposals for the design phase. Construction responsibilities, including potential collaboration with licensed contractors and sub-consultants, will be part of a later stage, depending on the selected bidder's approach.
9.	Before I complete the form to become a valid document holder, I was hoping you could advise if the County plans to retain ownership of the 5 tower sites?
Answer	The County does intend to retain ownership of the towers. This aligns with Objective IF-006 in the Lee County Recovery and Resilience Plan.

BIDDER/PROPOSER IS ADVISED, YOU ARE REQUIRED TO ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF THIS ADDENDUM WHEN SUBMITTING A BID/PROPOSAL. FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THIS REQUIREMENT MAY RESULT IN THE BIDDER/PROPOSER BEING CONSIDERED NON-RESPONSIVE.

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