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The referenced document is hereby revised; unless otherwise indicated, all other terms and conditions of the Solicitation remain the same.

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This amendment 005 is raised to answer questions for the above mentioned solicitation as follows:

Q31 : MTS3.2 states that the "Bidder must submit test reports, in CD/DVD format, in Adobe Acrobat PDF. If Certification Section Part 5, 1.2 is signed, do you want test reports submitted with the RFP or only upon request?"

A31 : Yes, please submit test reports with the RFP.

Q32 : Annex A2, #5.8 states that, 'two 30" panels are acceptable for the panel width of 60"'. Would the reverse also be acceptable - one larger panel instead of two smaller panels (i.e. one 60"w panel instead of two 30" panels or a one 60" panel instead of one 24" and one 36" panel?)

A32 : No, the reverse would not be acceptable as the smaller panels allow for future flexibility.

Q33 : Annex A2, #6.7 - On the spec you ask for one pole for a pod of 4 stations and on the plans, you have indicated one pole for a pod of 6 stations. Do you want two (2) 4-circuit power poles with harnesses for a pod of 6 stations; or Do you want one pole with 2 x 4-circuit harnesses running down.

A33: We would like one pole with 2 x 4-circuite harnesses running down.

Q34 : Annex A2, #7.2 - Please define "end-panels". For example, on the drawings provided, which workstation(s) do you consider to have end-panels - Workstations (a) 2033B, or (b) 2033A, or (c) 2029E.

A34 : Workstation © 2029E has an end-panel (1372/610) located near the column. If the end-panel was not indicated then floor supports such as C-legs or full gables would be required to be provided.

Q35 : Annex A2, #7.2 - Refer to Annex B. Please confirm reference to the Basis of Pricing page. Do you mean to reference Annex A-3 - Floor Plans?

A35 : Yes, we meant to reference Annex A-3 - Floor Plans.

Q36 : Annex A2, #8.3 - The Annex A2 requests a box/box/file with cushion; however the floor plans/drawings indicate a box/file with cushion. Please confirm pedestal configuration required.

A36 :

Delete:

8.3 Metal mobile pedestals must be lockable and be provided with the following configurations of box drawer, box drawer and file drawer, one per workstation, unless otherwise noted:

- Box/Box/File complete with removable pencil tray (B/B/F).

File drawers must be able to accommodate files of letter and legal sizes and all hardware required to suspend files must be included in each drawer.

Add:

8.3 Metal mobile pedestals must be lockable and be provided with the following configurations of box drawer and file drawer, one per workstation, unless otherwise noted:

- Box/File complete with removable pencil tray (B/F).

File drawers must be able to accommodate files of letter and legal sizes and all hardware required to suspend files must be included in each drawer.

Q37 : Amd. 002, A14 requests the technical proposal to be submitted under MicroSoft Office version 2003 or older and on CD or DVD. Will a pdf file also be acceptable?

A37 : Yes, a pdf file will also be acceptable.

Q38 : Please provide a total work station count per floor for verification purposes.

A38 : Please obtain the total workstation count per floor from the floor plans provided.

Q39 : Can you confirm that using spanning top caps (a single top cap that spans multiple panels) Is acceptable?

A39 : The use of spanning top caps are not acceptable.

Q40 : In several locations there appears to be top feeds and or outlets missing from the drawing ie stations 8067 a, 8044c, 8045a, 3065 c,d, 3047d

Are these top feeds/outlets to be provided or are we to bid only those shown on the drawing?

A40 : Yes these top feed/outlets are to be provided.

Q41 : -station 6044d indicates a overhead bin on a 50" high panel. In such cases should the bin be removed or the panel height changed.

A41 : The panels heights along that run should be changed from 1372 mm to 1676 mm.

Q42 : Section 8.4 of the specification requests a 1.5" glide adjustment. Industry standard for freestanding filing is usually 1" given the small footprint of the product.

Will a 1" glide adjustment be acceptable.

This would preclude the use of a "special".

A42 : A minimum vertical adjustment of 38 mm (1.5") is a required specification.

Q43 : Q/A30 on Admendment 004 - we require clarification.

Please clarify what is meant by non-powered panels. On your drawings you show two different panel symbols. One that is hatched and one that is not. The hatched symbols sometimes show data/power receptacles and sometimes not. Is it your intention that the hatched symbol not showing receptacles also have the ability to accept receptacles without altering the interior of the panel? Or are ALL panels (hatched and not) to have the ability to accept power and data receptacles in the future?

A43 : All panels (hatched and not) are to have the ability to accept power and data receptacles in the future.

Q44 : Upon review of the amendment, we have two (2) more question:

Amd. 004, Q/A 22, Re. Annex A-2, Item 5.7:

(1) Your answer allows for 60" high panels. If you hang an overhead bin (+/- 15"h) on a 60"high panel, it would allow for only about 16" between the worksurface and underside of the overhead storage, not enough for a proper ergonomic range of height adjustment of a monitor, and there will not be sufficient clearance for the user to swing the bin door up and open facing the user. Please confirm this is acceptable.

A44 : Please note that the monitor will not be placed on these worksurfaces and will instead be placed on a freestanding table which is not part of this tender process.

Q45 : (2) Also, please confirm that as per the original specification, that the noted height of the seated privacy panel is for information purposes only and allows for a 51"high to 54"high range.

A45 : A panel height range of 1346 mm -1372 mm (53"to 54") for a seated privacy panel would be acceptable.

Q46 : I understand that the closing date for questions has passed, however, this amendment was received after the closing date for questions and the answer to Q#22 has raised another question:

Amendment 004, Q&A 22 states that a panel range of 60"-66" to accommodate overhead bins would be acceptable. In the original RFP document 8.11 indicates that metal personal storage cabinets must be available in heights to accommodate seated/standing privacy. This would allow 60"h storage cabinets to be provided. It would not be a fair and equal comparison for one bidder to provide 60"h panels and storage cabinets and another to provide 66"h panels and cabinets, the 60"h option provides less storage capacity and less privacy. Typically a panel range of 66" +/- 3" (as recently seen in the DND RFP) and a defined storage height with a +/- 2" range would allow for all manufacturers to bid. Please confirm the specification for 8.11.

R46 : A panel range of 60"-66" high to accommodate overhead bins would be acceptable for this tender.

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