

Request for Offers (RFO) Addendum

RFO Number: RF00071

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Date of Addendum: July 10 2015

Original Deadline, Time: July 15, 2015: 4:00 p.m. CT

Date, Time (if changing): NA

Title: MMIS Maintenance Project – COBOL Developer

SCOPE OF ADDENDUM

The following are changes to the RFO: **Posting questions and answers.**

Question 1: I wanted to see if for this engagement you would consider resources housed in one of our domestic delivery centers or if your true preference is for the resources to be on site 100%?

Answer 1: The RFO requires that all work will be done at offices in St. Paul, unless otherwise arranged. Due to the nature of the work the resources need to be on site. Occasional exceptions may be made to accommodate a special situation.

Question 2: Is there a requirement that the COBOL programmers be located at a state government office in St. Paul, or can they work remotely?

Answer 2: The RFO requires that all work will be done at offices in St. Paul, unless otherwise arranged. Due to the nature of the work the resources need to be on site. Occasional exceptions may be made to accommodate a special situation.

Question 3: Could you tell me if the need for 2-4 Cobol developers is a new need or there is an incumbent?

Answer 3: This is a new resource requirement. There are no incumbents.

Question 4: RFO evaluation has 70% for desired skills. Does it mean for both required and desired skills?

Answer 4: The candidates must have the required skills to be considered for evaluation. However, 70% of the evaluation will be based on a combination of the required and desired skills.

Question 5: What portion of job will be development and what portion will be for maintenance?

Answer 5: The candidates should expect to be flexible. There is at least one full time development opportunity. However, candidates may also backfill for state resources who will be working on development projects.

Question 6: The RFO states that “work will be done at offices in St. Paul, MN unless otherwise arranged.” Could work performed during normal business hours be accomplished by resources working within a controlled, secure delivery center in the continental United States?

Answer 6: The RFO requires that all work will be done at offices in St. Paul, unless otherwise arranged. Due to the nature of the work the resources need to be on site. Occasional exceptions may be made to accommodate a special situation.

Question 7: What would be the breakdown between development and maintenance work?

Answer 7: The candidates should expect to be flexible. There is at least one full time development opportunity. However, candidates may also backfill for state resources who will be working on development projects.

Question 8: The RFO states must have worked on engagements of 18 months. Will a candidate not be looked if most projects are around 12 months?

Answer 8: Per the required skill definitions the candidate must have engagements equaling at least 18 months in a Programming/Development role.

Question 9: What is the ideal number of years of experience with follow tools or which ones are the most important? : o CICS o VSAM o DB2 o SQL o InterTest Debugging Tool o TSO/SPF o PANVALET o JCL?

Answer 9: There isn't a set desired number of years of experience with these tools. Normally the more experience the better. CICS and JCL are probably the most important but none are absolutely critical. Someone with experience in all of them gives us more flexibility to give them a wider variety of assignments and also means less ramp up time to get them productive in our environment.

Question 10: Would someone with 5 years of Analytics and requirements gathering experience be qualified?

Answer 10: If they meet the minimum required skills in addition to having these skills they would be qualified.

Question 11: Would any of the developers manage other developers?

Answer 11: It is expected that state staff will lead the maintenance and development efforts. It is possible that a contract developer could end up mentoring other developers who get added to a project at a later point in time.

This addendum shall become part of the RFO and should be returned with, or acknowledged in, the response to the RFO.

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