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SOUTH CAROLINA

AMENDMENT NO.1 TO SOLICITATION

TO: ALL VENDORS
FROM: Kevin Sanders, Procurement Manager
SUBJECT: SOLICITATION NUMBER: USC-RFP-2531-KS
Online Video Forum

DATE: March 25th 2014

This Amendment **No.1** modifies the Request for quote only in the manner and to the extent as stated herein.

Vendor Questions/Answers

**Opening Date and Time is extended to April 14th at 2:30 pm
Posting date is extended to April 22nd.**

BIDDER SHALL ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF AMENDMENT **NO.1** IN THE SPACE PROVIDED BELOW AND RETURN IT WITH THEIR BID RESPONSE. FAILURE TO DO SO MAY SUBJECT BID TO REJECTION.

Authorized Signature

Name of Offeror

Date

Group 1

Q: Could you give more indication as to the size/scope of the purchase? Program size / number of teacher candidates is not included anywhere in the proposal despite indications that it is for the Palmetto College elementary program

A: We anticipate approximately 100 enrolled students once program is fully implemented.

Q: Will purchasing during the term of the contract be for "program access," or "per student cost," or by some other method?

A: We are open to considering a range of fee and payment options.

Q: What is the extent of the expected usage? Will this be used for a limited set of field observations during internship? Will this be used for documenting daily teaching?

A: We expect students to have access to the service throughout the three-year sequence of courses. K-12 school experiences are required throughout the program and students and instructors will use the system in most of those experiences.

Q: "Video recording and sharing" -- Does this mean there is an expectation for video recording equipment to be part of the proposal? Or do we need to merely address what equipment might be required?

A: Equipment is not required, but do address what equipment might be needed and how it integrates with the system.

Q: "Access to a video library" -- Is this asking for an integrated solution (e.g. video observation platform is integrated and singular with the video library)

A: We are looking for access to a content library of videos that document best practices in teaching and can be seamlessly accessed through the system.

Q: "Ability to transcribe" -- Is it expected that transcription will be provided as a flat fee for an unlimited number of videos? Is it acceptable that this be included as a cost option?

A: We are looking for the video system to allow for easy transcription by the user. The video replay would include the ability to reduce the speed of the playback while the user is transcribing. We are also looking for the ability to tag text within the video.

Group 2

Q: On Page 3 of the RFP, USC estimates the contract period will begin 04.21.2014. Does USC intend for the video forum to be in place by the 05.12 course start date indicated on the program website (<http://palmettocollege.sc.edu/programs/elementary-education.aspx>)? If not, by when does USC-Columbia College of Education require the video forum to be in place?

A: The video forum will need to be in place by October 2014.

Q: Approximately how many teaching interns and faculty will require access to the video forum? Will this number change during the initial contract period based on per-semester enrollment?

A: We anticipate approximately 100 enrolled students (total) once program is fully implemented; about 35 new students per year. All will need access during their time in the program.

Q: On Page 11 ("Required Components"), the RFP stated that the video forum must feature the "ability to allow faculty feedback on the video." Will faculty use rubrics to provide any of this feedback?

A: Yes, it is likely that rubrics will be used, especially with the internship evaluations.

Group 3

Q: What is the scope of the program - how many students per year?

A: We anticipate approximately 100 enrolled students (total) once program is fully implemented; about 35 new students per year. All will need access during their time in the program.

Q: Will this be project based for students that are completing their student teaching? Or, will this be a part of their curriculum (using video content) during general pedagogy classes in addition to student teaching?

A: Students would use the system throughout the three-year sequence of courses. This would include both internship/student teaching and methods courses.

Q: Are we required to price out the actual video recording equipment?

A: We do not require that you price out video recording equipment, but please indicate what equipment might be needed and how it integrates with the system.

Q: Lastly, is an integrated platform needed from partners offering a proposal? Will two platforms offered that meet all required needs be adequate?

A: We prefer that all aspects be seamlessly accessed through the system.