

RFP Questions and Clarifications Memorandum

To: Vendors Responding to RFP Number 3733 for the Mississippi Board of Nursing (MBON)
From: Craig P. Orgeron, Ph.D.
Date: November 5, 2013
Subject: Responses to Questions Submitted and Clarifications to Specifications
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RFP Number 3733 is hereby amended as follows:

1. **Title page, INVITATION is modified as follows:**

INVITATION: Sealed proposals, subject to the attached conditions, will be received at this office until **November 13, 2013 @ 3:00 p.m. local time** for the acquisition of the products/services described below for Mississippi Board of Nursing.

2. **Title page, third box is modified as follows:**

<p style="text-align: center;">PROPOSAL, SUBMITTED IN RESPONSE TO RFP NO. 3733 DUE November 13, 2013 @ 3:00 p.m., ATTENTION: Donna Hamilton</p>
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3. **Section VII Technical Specifications, Item 3 Project Schedule is amended as follows:**

Task	Date
First Advertisement Date for RFP	09/24/13
Second Advertisement Date for RFP	10/01/13
Vendor Web Conference	3:00 p.m. Central Time on 10/10/13

Deadline for Vendor's Written Questions	3:00 p.m. Central Time on 10/18/13
Deadline for Questions Answered and Posted to ITS Web Site	11/05/13 by 12:00 p.m. Central Time
Open Proposals	11/13/13
Evaluation of Proposals	11/13/13 - 11/29/13
Contract Negotiation	12/02/13 - 12/20/13

Vendor must include in their proposal a response to each amended requirement as listed above. Vendor must respond using the same terminology as provided in the original requirements.

The following questions were submitted to ITS and are being presented as they were submitted, except to remove any reference to a specific vendor. This information should assist you in formulating your response.

Question 1: What would be the file format of all those external interfaces like MSI, Escripts, Criminal background check etc?

Response: **MBON does not currently have interfaces with Escripts or CBC at this time. The State will work with the awarded Vendor to develop those requirements. The Vendor should refer to Exhibit B for a description of the interface with MSI.**

Question 2: Can the proposal include online applications that are not yet part of MS website?

Response: **Vendor's question did not reference a specific requirement but the State assumes the reference relates to the various application processes currently supported by MBON. The Vendor should refer to Section VII, Items 8.7.15 and 8.8.1.1. Currently, only the renewal application is available online. MBON's objective for this project is that all application processes be made available online (i.e., Examination, Endorsement, APRN, CCHT, Reinstatement).**

Question 3: State payment engine - will the interaction be through webservices/Dlls? Basically, how will we accomplish what we have done internally with our own payment piece?

Response: **The Vendor's system must be modified to provide a link to the Mississippi Interactive Payment Processor. Vendors should refer to Section VII, Item 8.8.3, Attachment B, and Attachment C for more detailed information regarding the payment interface.**

Question 4: Administration: Can you provide some written down specifics of what's expected here?

Response: **Vendor's question did not reference a specific requirement but the State assumes the reference relates to system administration. Vendors should refer to Section VII, Items 5.9, 16, and 18. The Nurse License Management**

System will be reside in the ITS State Data Center and Vendors must provide system administration training to designated MBON staff.

RFP responses are due November 13, 2013, at 3:00 p.m. (Central Time).

If you have any questions concerning the information above or if we can be of further assistance, please contact Donna Hamilton at 601-432-8114 or via email at Donna.Hamilton@its.ms.gov.

cc: ITS Project File Number 40412