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IFB 21B-004 LIBRARY RFID GATES

ADDENDUM NO. 2

The following shall be incorporated into the captioned solicitation as though included in the original documents issued:

1. Page 15 **ADD** the following paragraph:

10.0 SUBCONTRACTORS

- 10.1 Bidders shall identify any subcontractors in their proposal and shall submit the same information requested in paragraph 9.0 above.
- 10.2 All terms and requirements herein apply to any subcontractors.
 1. The College reserves the right to reject the proposed subcontractor(s) based on the terms stated herein.
- 10.3 Regardless of whether a subcontractor is accepted and used for the installation, the Contractor must have a person under the Contractor's direct employ supervising the installation at all times.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

- Q1. Who is your RFID vendor?
A1. Current RFID vendor is Bibliotheca
- Q2. What RFID technology do you currently have in the Library?
A2. Currently no RFID system; we have an electromagnetic system from 3M/Bibliotheca that is twenty (20) years old.
- Q3. Do we need to dispose of the EM Gates for the College?
A3. Yes, awarded vendor will dispose of the old gates.
- Q4. Could you explain what you mean by energy saving feature?
A4. Power save mode activates RFID detection when someone approaches the gates.
- Q5. What ILS/IMS do you currently use?
A5. Our current ILS is Polaris and we are integrated with the local public Library system.
- Q6. What do you mean by multiple RFID software systems? Can we get a breakdown of all RFID technology deployed and the company that provides it?
A6. Your solution should work with any system existing in the market and not be reliant or dependent upon any one particular name brand.

- Q7. Are all of the software systems in your Library or multiple Libraries in your consortia or Libraries in the area?
- A7. The College only has one library. We share ILS system with Harford County Public Library which uses the same RFID system. We are only requesting bids on the gates **not** the software system as we already have the software with Bibliotheca. The gates must interface with that system.
- Q8. We have tried to schedule an appointment to visit with no answer from Mr. Keene so we need to request pictures. Pictures of the existing gates and all thresholds. Pictures of where you want the new gates installed.
- A8. Mr. Keene can assist with measurements and/or pictures or set up a time for a visit. He is usually onsite Mondays and Wednesdays.
- Q9. Could we get measurements of the area for the new gates?
- A9. See A8 above
- Q10. Do you have conduit already in place for the new gates?
- A10. We are looking for buried cable with pedestals mounted to the floor and pedestal-to-pedestal wiring routed beneath the floor in electrical conduit. The current gates have a electricity source and are plugged in.
- Q11. Do you have a trench for the new gates?
- A11. There is no trench and we have cement floors so we probably will not have one.
- Q12. Are you renovating the Library currently?
- A12. We are not currently renovating the Library but project we will be within the next 3-4 years depending on funding availability.
- Q13. Please clarify on page 15 in Scope of Work: Do you want 2 sets of 2 aisle gates or 1 set of 2 aisle gates and 3 sets of 3 aisle gates or 1 set of 3 aisle gates?
- A13. We want one (1) set of three (3) aisle gates and one (1) set of two (2) aisle gates for different floors.
- Q14. What is your expectation for the system, i.e. card reader, etc.?
- A14. The College is seeking both security and inventory control and possibly self-checkout at a later date. The College already has a system in place with Bibliotheca; we are seeking a bid on the physical gates, not a whole system.
- Q15. Is this tied to a larger system for the College/Library, and if so, what is it?
- A15. See A5 above.
- Q16. Is the vendor responsible for removing the EM gates currently in place?
- A16. See A3 above.
- Q17. Can you please provide door widths?
- A17. The existing gates are located in a hallway. Approximate measurements are 8 ft on the first floor and 12 feet on the second floor.

- Q18. Can you please provide photos and/or drawings of the current door area?
A18. Photos provided.

END ADDENDUM NO.2

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