



State of West Virginia
 Department of Administration
 Purchasing Division
 2019 Washington Street East
 Post Office Box 50130
 Charleston, WV 25305-0130

Request for Quotation

RFQ NUMBER
 WWV10867

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ADDRESS CORRESPONDENCE TO ATTENTION OF:
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VENDOR

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BUREAU OF EMPLOYMENT PROGRAMS
 OFFICE OF ADMIN. SUPPORT-5302
 112 CALIFORNIA AVENUE
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DATE PRINTED	TERMS OF SALE	SHIP VIA	F.O.B.	FREIGHT TERMS
06/28/2010				

BID OPENING DATE: 07/06/2010 BID OPENING TIME 01:30PM

LINE	QUANTITY	UOP	CAT NO.	ITEM NUMBER	UNIT PRICE	AMOUNT
0001	1	LS	961-24	COURT REPORTING SERVICES		
<p>***** ADDENDUM NO. 2 *****</p> <p>THIS ADDENDUM IS ISSUED TO PROVIDE THE ATTACHED TECHNICAL QUESTIONS & ANSWERS INADVERTENTLY OMITTED FROM ADDENDUM NO. 1, AND TO EXTEND THE BID OPENING. BID OPENING DATE AND TIME IS CHANGED TO: 07/06/2010 AT 1:30 PM.</p>						
***** THIS IS THE END OF RFQ WWV10867 ***** TOTAL:						

SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR TERMS AND CONDITIONS

SIGNATURE	TELEPHONE	DATE
TITLE	FEIN	ADDRESS CHANGES TO BE NOTED ABOVE

WHEN RESPONDING TO RFQ, INSERT NAME AND ADDRESS IN SPACE ABOVE LABELED 'VENDOR'

GENERAL TERMS & CONDITIONS REQUEST FOR QUOTATION (RFQ) AND REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)

1. Awards will be made in the best interest of the State of West Virginia
2. The State may accept or reject in part, or in whole, any bid.
3. Prior to any award, the apparent successful vendor must be properly registered with the Purchasing Division and have paid the required \$125 fee.
4. All services performed or goods delivered under State Purchase Order/Contracts are to be continued for the term of the Purchase Order/Contracts, contingent upon funds being appropriated by the Legislature or otherwise being made available. In the event funds are not appropriated or otherwise available for these services or goods this Purchase Order/Contract becomes void and of no effect after June 30.
5. Payment may only be made after the delivery and acceptance of goods or services.
6. Interest may be paid for late payment in accordance with the *West Virginia Code*
7. Vendor preference will be granted upon written request in accordance with the *West Virginia Code*.
8. The State of West Virginia is exempt from federal and state taxes and will not pay or reimburse such taxes.
9. The Director of Purchasing may cancel any Purchase Order/Contract upon 30 days written notice to the seller.
10. The laws of the State of West Virginia and the *Legislative Rules* of the Purchasing Division shall govern the purchasing process.
11. Any reference to automatic renewal is hereby deleted. The Contract may be renewed only upon mutual written agreement of the parties.
12. **BANKRUPTCY:** In the event the vendor/contractor files for bankruptcy protection, the State may deem this contract null and void, and terminate such contract without further order.
13. **HIPAA BUSINESS ASSOCIATE ADDENDUM:** The West Virginia State Government HIPAA Business Associate Addendum (BAA), approved by the Attorney General, is available online at www.state.wv.us/admin/purchase/vrc/hipaa.htm and is hereby made part of the agreement. Provided that the Agency meets the definition of a Cover Entity (45 CFR §160.103) and will be disclosing Protected Health Information (45 CFR §160.103) to the vendor.
14. **CONFIDENTIALITY:** The vendor agrees that he or she will not disclose to anyone, directly or indirectly, any such personally identifiable information or other confidential information gained from the agency, unless the individual who is the subject of the information consents to the disclosure in writing or the disclosure is made pursuant to the agency's policies, procedures, and rules. Vendor further agrees to comply with the Confidentiality Policies and Information Security Accountability Requirements, set forth in <http://www.state.wv.us/admin/purchase/privacy/noticeConfidentiality.pdf>.
15. **LICENSING:** Vendors must be licensed and in good standing in accordance with any and all state and local laws and requirements by any state or local agency of West Virginia, including, but not limited to, the West Virginia Secretary of State's Office, the West Virginia Tax Department, and the West Virginia Insurance Commission. The vendor must provide all necessary releases to obtain information to enable the director or spending unit to verify that the vendor is licensed and in good standing with the above entities.
16. **ANTITRUST:** In submitting a bid to any agency for the State of West Virginia, the bidder offers and agrees that if the bid is accepted the bidder will convey, sell, assign or transfer to the State of West Virginia all rights, title and interest in and to all causes of action it may now or hereafter acquire under the antitrust laws of the United States and the State of West Virginia for price fixing and/or unreasonable restraints of trade relating to the particular commodities or services purchased or acquired by the State of West Virginia. Such assignment shall be made and become effective at the time the purchasing agency tenders the initial payment to the bidder.

I certify that this bid is made without prior understanding, agreement, or connection with any corporation, firm, limited liability company, partnership, or person or entity submitting a bid for the same material, supplies, equipment or services and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud. I further certify that I am authorized to sign the certification on behalf of the bidder or this bid.

INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

1. Use the quotation forms provided by the Purchasing Division. Complete all sections of the quotation form.
2. Items offered must be in compliance with the specifications. Any deviation from the specifications must be clearly indicated by the bidder. Alternates offered by the bidder as **EQUAL** to the specifications must be clearly defined. A bidder offering an alternate should attach complete specifications and literature to the bid. The Purchasing Division may waive minor deviations to specifications.
3. Unit prices shall prevail in case of discrepancy. All quotations are considered F.O.B. destination unless alternate shipping terms are clearly identified in the quotation.
4. All quotations must be delivered by the bidder to the office listed below prior to the date and time of the bid opening. Failure of the bidder to deliver the quotations on time will result in bid disqualifications: Department of Administration, Purchasing Division, 2019 Washington Street East, P.O. Box 50130, Charleston, WV 25305-0130
5. Communication during the solicitation, bid, evaluation or award periods, except through the Purchasing Division, is strictly prohibited (W.Va. C.S.R. §148-1-6.6).

Questions and Answers for WWV-10-867

Q1. The sample of the transcript from a hearing (Attachment A), differs from the description of the formatting for the hearing transcript on page 5, section 1.1. For example, the description on page 5 indicates that the transcript should be prepared using Arial 12 point font and contain 51 lines of typing. The sample provided is Times New Roman (perhaps 10 or 12 point) font with 24 lines of typing per page

There is a similar discrepancy between the sample of the decisions/orders provided in Attachment B and the description provided for the format of the decisions/orders on page 5, section 1.1.

Since the difference of the amount of content on each page (sample vs instruction) is significant, it is important for preparing our per page bids that we know what format to use for pricing purposes. Can you please clarify which format will be required to be produced (the format according to the sample or the format according to the instructions)?

A.1 Please use the sample attached to the RFQ, not the description therein.

Q2. Page 7, section 2.3 – “The successful vendor agrees to keep all dictation of hearings transcripts and decisions/orders, and any voluntary storage of those materials confidential. This shall include, but shall not be limited to: ensuring that all data stored on any computer, server, or other digital devices is protected via the then current encoding/firewall protection against potential hacking; all employees shall be bonded; and all hard copies of documentation shall be secured from public access and viewing ”

Can you please elaborate on the need for bonding of employees? Generally, bonding of employees is necessary for employees in positions of financial responsibility where fraud or embezzlement may occur, so it seems out of place in a transcription contract. Is the contract requiring the bidder to bond their employees through a surety company? If so, what is the required level/amount of the bond?

A2. The need for bonding is due to the confidential and private information contained in hearings/decisions. The employees must be bonded through a surety company in the amount of \$25,000 per employee.