



Date: February 24, 2015

From: Rich Bannon, Purchasing and Contracts Manager

Subject: CATA Response to Questions on RFP 2014-R07, Voice & Data Networking Services

The following questions were received:

1. Have you already purchased a new phone system for CATA?

CATA Response – No

2. Is there another RFP for the phone equipment?

CATA Response – A separate RFP will be issued for the phone equipment and installation.

3. Is The COLO for a back-up to the admin and CTC or is a public facing resource that is active?

CATA Response – COLO is intended for backup but includes web servers that would be public facing. If CATA elects to pursue the COLO then termination of CATA's internet gateway at the COLO is desirable.

4. Can we submit more one design for the network?

CATA Response – CATA will consider multiple designs so long as they meet the requirements.

5. This is based on the COLO as an option, if CATA does not wish to pursue COLO then our network design changes. Do you want to be supplied managed routers for WAN and internet in the design?

CATA Response – CATA would prefer Cisco managed devices with an Ethernet handoff.

6. Any future plans for video traffic on the network? Planning for COS with this question.

CATA Response – We do plan on transporting video over the WAN connection.



The following questions were asked at the pre-proposal meeting on February 10, 2015:

7. Please provide the numbers of handsets at each location, auto attendants, hunt groups, etc.).

CATA Response

- a. Handsets: 100 at Tranter (6 Wireless) – 12 at CTC (Grand Ave location)
- b. Conference Phones: 2 (Tranter)
- c. Voicemail Boxes: 85
- d. Auto Attendants: 2
- e. Hunt Groups: 5

8. What is CATA's timeline for dark fiber?

CATA Response – There is no specific time line for this. CATA would like to see this possible option.

9. Has CATA considered talking to any other local businesses to share cost?

CATA Response – No, but there are a couple nearby that may have value such as Dean Transportation on Aurelius.

10. CATA mentions a 5 year contract. Would they entertain 5, 10 or 20 IRU?

CATA Response – Yes, if it has benefit to CATA.

11. Can CATA please provide the pricing form in Word or Excel format rather than PDF so we can fill it in easier?

CATA Response – Yes.

12. Does CATA have a geographical preference for the offsite datacenter or can the vendor make a suggestion?

CATA Response – Of course the vendor can make a suggestion. CATA would want 24 hr monitoring and 24hr access so it would probably be best closer as opposed to across the country.

13. How may toll free numbers do you have and minutes to you require?

CATA Response – CATA has one 800 number and the monthly minutes is 1,100

14. Would it be possible for a network engineer to visit at a later time if they need to see the physical site?

CATA Response – Yes.

15. Can Exhibit “L” be provided in an Excel format?

CATA Response - Yes. CATA will email those in attendance the Excel file. The file cannot be posted on the website. If you want the file, send an email to Rich Bannon at [rbannon@cata.org](mailto:rbannon@cata.org).