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LOC Questions and Clarifications Memorandum

To: Solicited Vendors for Letter of Configuration (LOC) Number 42119, dated November

20, 2015 for the Mississippi Department of Mental Health (MDMH)

From: Craig P. Orgeron, Ph.D.

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Subject: Responses to Questions Submitted and Clarifications to Specifications

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LOC Number 42119 is hereby amended as follows:

Item 5.3 is being modified to read as follows: "SQL Developer Database Administrator"

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: Do the resources for solicitation 42119 have to sit onsite at the Agency?

Response: Refer to Items 8.2 and 8.4 in the LOC.

Question 2: Is it a possibility that the database administrator position be remote?

Response: Refer to the response to Question 1.

Question 3: Does "remote experience working with teams" mean the individual will be

working onsite with existing remote teams?

Response: Refer to Items 8.2 and 8.4 in the LOC. MDMH would like to have the Java

Developer onsite initially and then it may be possible to work remote with four team members located in Jackson, MS. The CRM Developer and SQL DBA positions will work with 12 remote sites. Each of the twelve teams will

have one person that will be working directly with each consultant.

Question 4: With reference to the above LOC, do the given positions have any incumbents?

Response: No.

Question 5: Are these 3 positions (Java Developer; CRM Developer; SQL DBA) renewal for

existing contractors/incumbents in place at MDMH or are these 3 completely

NEW positions?

Response: Refer to the response to Question 4.

Question 6: Why are the positions open?

Response: Refer to Item 2 in the LOC.

Question 7: In case a consultant has left this position, does the company providing the

consultant gets any kind of preference over other vendors?

Response: Refer to the response to Question 4.

Question 8: Are you planning to hire only 1 or > 1 individual with this LOC for each of the 3

positions?

Response: MDMH is looking for one individual for each position.

Question 9: What size team will these consultants be working with for each of the 3 diff

positions?

Response: Refer to the response to Question 3.

Question 10: What are the chances of extension beyond 12 months for any of the 3 positions?

Response: Refer to Item 8.1 in the LOC.

Question 11: Would you consider any candidate who can work 100% remote or at least 50%

remote for any of the 3 positions?

Response: Refer to Item 8.4 in the LOC.

Question 12: Would any sort of travel be required for any of the 3 positions?

Response: The Java Developer will be working with a team in Jackson, Mississippi.

The CRM Developer and the SQL DBA positions may have some travel involved as the 12 teams are located throughout the State. Travel time will

vary. Refer to Item 7.2 in the LOC.

Question 13: As per 5.3 SQL Developer - Are you seeking a SQL Developer or a SQL DBA?

Response: See the Amendment above.

Question 14: Would this be a production DBA or more of a SQL Developer/DBA role?

Response: The role will be more of a SQL Developer/DBA role.

Question 15: For the Java/SQL position - Most Java candidates have experience with Oracle, DB2, MY SQL at the backend rather than SQL Server. Would you consider candidates who have 3+ years with SQL Server but with any version rather than 3+ years of experience in SQL Server 2012 development?

Response: No.

Question 16: As per 6.4.3 - Experience training in a classroom environment - What kind of classroom training is the consultant expected to impart and what will be the classroom size? Would this be teaching to colleagues or rather users who are less familiar with technology?

Response: The size of the classroom and number of individuals to be trained will vary for each location within the State. The consultant will be training other IT staff located throughout the State. Training material will vary by consultant.

Question 17: As per 6.8.6 - Experience with third-party monitoring tools - Are there any particular tools which will be a plus to have?

Response: There are no particular monitoring tools.

Question 18: Would any pref be given to candidates who have

A) Public Sector Project Experience anywhere in the USA

B) Local state experience

C) Team lead experience

D) Certifications relating to any of the 3 positions

Response: No.

LOC responses are due Friday, December 18, 2015, 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 Jill Chastant at 601-432-8214 or via email at jill.chastant@its.ms.gov.

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