DEPARTMENT OF PROCUREMENT SERVICES – CITY OF CHICAGO

June 28, 2018

ADDENDUM NO. 1

FOR

WEATHER FORECASTING, ALERTS AND DATA SERVICES FOR THE CHICAGO DEPARTMENT OF AVIATION AND THE OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AND COMMUNICATIONS

SPECIFICATION NO. 526844

For which Bids will be opened in the office of the Chief Procurement Officer, Department of Procurement Services, Bid & Bond Room 103, City Hall, 121 N. LaSalle Street, Chicago, IL 60602 at **11:00 a.m., Central Time on July 11, 2018.**

The following additions and revisions are incorporated into the above-referenced Specification (the "Contract Documents") as noted. All other provisions and requirements as originally set forth, except as amended by previous addenda, remain in full force and are binding. Any additional work required by this Addendum shall conform to the applicable provisions of the original Contract Documents.

BIDDER MUST ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF THIS ADDENDUM IN THE SPACE PROVIDED ON THE PROPOSAL EXECUTION PAGE.

SECTION 1. NOTICE OF REVISIONS/CHANGES/CLARIFICATIONS

1.	Section 5.8.2.5 has been revised by deleting the following paragraph in its entirety: "Future radar precipitation (rain/snow/ice) prognostication out to ninety (90) minutes, twelve (12) hours, twenty four (24) hours and thirty six (36) hours" And replacing it with following revised paragraph: "The City is requesting the Contractor provide Future radar precipitation (rain/snow/ice) real time prognostication out to ninety (90) minutes with radar modeling to provide prognostication for twelve (12) hours, twenty four (24) hours and thirty six (36) hours."

SECTION 2. QUESTIONS AND RESPONSES

CLARIFICATIONS TO BIDDERS QUESTIONS	
Question 1:	What is the level of integration required for mobile phones and texting?
Response:	**Pursuant to Contract section 5.8.2.2, "Overview, -- Chicago Department of Aviation (Bid Lines 1-8)" and 5.8.8, "Overview, -- Office of Emergency Management and Communications (Bid Line 9)" the Contractor is only required to provide alerting via mobile devices.**
Question 2:	Do you require full radar mosaic and individual site radar?
Response:	**As the specifications call out NEXRAD radar we are requiring full mosaic radar. Individual Site Radar is not required.**
Question 3:	Can you provide specifications of exact parameters required for storm tracking?
Response:	**According to Section 5.8.2.5, "Real-Time, Forecast, and Historical Weather Data", Storm tracking of significant storm cells will be displayed on the last frame of the NEXRAD single site imagery. Significant storm cells will be identified and displayed, showing the direction and providing estimated time of arrival of the storm to cities in its path. Specific storm properties such as TVS, Mesocyclone and hail information will be provided with each storm cell.**
Question 4:	How far back in time is the requirement for historical data?
Response:	**Historical data only needs to start being archived from the beginning of the new contract.**
Question 5:	Do you have an audible lightening alert system already in place?
Response:	**Yes, the City has an audible lightening alert system in place.**
Question 6:	Can you provide details about the level of integration with the lightening alert system?
Response:	**The Contractor is not required to integrate with the City's audible alerting systems. The City will utilize the reporting provided by the Contractor in order to trigger its audible lightening alert systems.**
Question 7:	Is this bid process for a contract renewal?
Response:	**This is a bid to replace an expiring contract, PO 27760, Weather Forecasting, Alerts and Data Services for the Chicago Department of Aviation, Spec# 112707", which is set to expire in August 2018.**
Question 8:	How many incumbent weather providers are currently providing weather service?
Response:	**There are two (2) weather related contracts: PO 27760 and PO 28996 for "Meteorological Services - Dept. of Streets and Sanitation/Chicago Dept. of Aviation, Spec# 112605".**
Question 9:	What are the presentation components to the bid?
Response:	**There is no presentation component for this bid solicitation.**
Question 10:	Will portions of the bid be awarded separately or is it all together?
Response:	**This bid will be awarded to one contractor. Bidders must bid all line items in order to be considered for award. The bid will be awarded to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder.**
Question 11:	Where can we find details on the previous bid process?

Response:	**Information on the existing contract may be found on the City of Chicago's Contract Information Search by searching by the PO 27760 or Specification Number 112707 at: https://webapps1.cityofchicago.org/VCSearchWeb/org/cityofchicago/vcsearch/controller/contracts/begin.do?agencyId=city.**
Question 12:	What is the current annual budget for weather services as defined by the bid?
Response:	**Based on current contract pricing, the City is currently paying approximately $ 50,202 per year. Information regarding the existing contract, including payments made to the contractor, may be found by at: https://webapps1.cityofchicago.org/VCSearchWeb/org/cityofchicago/vcsearch/controller/agencySelection/displayAgencyHomeFromLink.do?agencyId=city.**
Question 13:	In sections 5.8.2.5. Real-Time, Forecast, and Historical Weather Data, 5.8.9.2. Real-Time, Forecast, and Historical Weather Data, the following verbiage is stated: "Future radar precipitation (rain/snow/ice) prognostication out to ninety (90) minutes, twelve (12) hours, twenty four (24) hours and thirty six (36) hours" I believe this may have been in error as many forecasts and charts have the ability to go out to 36 hours but typically Future Radar only goes out to approximately 90 minutes. I am aware of some weather models that may go out to that length of time but it is very uncommon and not very accurate once it goes beyond the 90 minutes. Was this verbiage mistakenly added to the Future Radar requirements or are you actually looking for Future Radar that will go out that far? I am not aware of any weather vendor that has this length of Future Radar.
Response:	**The City is requesting the Contractor provide Future radar precipitation (rain/snow/ice) real time prognostication out to ninety (90) minutes with radar modeling to provide prognostication for twelve (12) hours, twenty four (24) hours and thirty six (36) hours.**

END OF ADDENDUM NO. 1

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