

RFP #SCC-11-022-ITD

Network Disaster Recovery Facility Services

QUESTIONS & RESPONSES

1. I need to find out if there could be any consideration to extending the mileage to include the Culpepper Virginia area, estimated 80 miles distance from the SCC Headquarters.

SCC Response: *The SCC will amend the RFP to allow for an increase in the radius miles from 45 to 100 radius miles from the SCC headquarters. An addendum will be issued to reflect the change*

2. We respectfully request that SCC reconsider the current mileage requirement and expand it to 140 miles to permit us and others to compete for this procurement.

SCC Response: *The SCC will amend the RFP to allow for an increase in the radius miles from 45 to 100 radius miles from the SCC headquarters. An addendum will be issued to reflect the change*

3. After reviewing the RFP, it appears that the SCC just wants to lease the retail space within a data center to provide a means to meet the DR needs. Typically, when we do this, we also provide services to be able to support the need, not just provide the space. Can you help clarify what additional services you might be requiring?

SCC Response: *In response to your question, the SCC will provide and manage all equipment directly related to its disaster recovery solution. Our requirements are set out in Section VI, Statement of Needs, and in section VI, I, we are requesting the offeror to provide a list of all "optional services" offered by them.*

4. In order to determine the most cost-effective data replication solution, what existing telecom circuit(s), both Internet and Point-to-Point, does the SCC have in place today?

SCC Response: *two (2) DS3's on COVANET, two (2) PVC's to Virginia Information Technologies Agency (VITA)/Northrop Grumman (NG) network center and four (4) PRI's (one of these PRI's will be moved to the Alternate DR Site for telephony purposes, reference section VI.D.1.d).*

5. Will the Service Provider or the SCC be managing the email, VoIP, and voicemail replication jobs on an ongoing basis?

SCC Response: *Per Section III, Background, the SCC will be managing e-mail, VoIP and voice-mail replication on an ongoing basis.*

6. How much data will be replicated to the DR site, and how often?

SCC Response: *Reference Section VI.D.1 – E-mail and VoIP data replication will be real-time and continuous. The SCC anticipates a continuous need for a minimum of 52 Mbps (megabits per second) over a dedicated circuit between SCC Headquarters and the Facility, with latency of no more than 30 milliseconds and occasional peaks of as much as 120 Mbps.*

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7. Did the Commission have any outside help in writing the RFP?

SCC Response: *No.*

8. Has the project been budgeted for?

SCC Response: *Yes.*

9. If for some reason we wouldn't submit an RFP, do we have to notify the SCC?

SCC Response: *No, there is no requirement for the Offeror to submit a proposal.*

Additional Questions:

10. In reviewing Appendix G; it's a bit unclear as to the quantities and types of power whips required. Also, in observing the asterisks, I read the requirements as VSCC plans to supply their own three standard racks plus a single IBM storage rack.

SCC Response: *That is correct, as also mentioned in section III, Background and VI, Statement of Needs, introductory paragraph.*

One of my SE's interpreted the power requirements as follows –

Rack 1:

Qty 1 - 208V 30A 3-Phase (L15-30) Primary
Qty 1 - 208V 30A 3-Phase (L15-30) Secondary

Rack 2:

Qty 1 - 208V 30A 3-Phase (L15-30) Primary
Qty 1 - 208V 30A 3-Phase (L15-30) Secondary

Rack 3:

Qty 1 - 208V 30A 3-Phase (HBL430R9W) Primary
Qty 1 - 208V 30A 3-Phase (HBL430R9W) Secondary
Secondary
Qty 1 - 120V 20A (5-20) Primary

Rack 4:

Qty 1 - 208V 30A (L6-30) Primary
Qty 1 - 208V 30A (L6-30) Secondary
Qty 1 - 120V 30A (L5-30) Primary

Would it be possible to confirm this with the person responsible for setting the technical requirements?

SCC Response: *Yes, these power requirements are correct, except the word "Secondary" on the third line under Rack 3 appears to be a typo, and Rack 1 and Rack 2 require quantity (2) NEMA L15-30R receptacles for each primary and each secondary circuit.*

11. Based on your response in #10 above,

Is it this? (option A)

Rack 1:

Qty 1 - L15-30 Primary
Qty 1 - L15-30 Secondary

Rack 2:

Qty 1 - L15-30 Primary
Qty 1 - L15-30 Secondary

or this? (option B)

Rack 1:

Qty 2 - L15-30 Primary
Qty 2 - L15-30 Secondary

Rack 2:

Qty 2 - L15-30 Primary
Qty 2 - L15-30 Secondary

Option B adds more circuits which creates a price difference from option A and will likely require more cage space as well. Do you want both options or only one of the options?

SCC Response: *Option B*