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<u>ADDENDUM #2</u> WIDE AREA NETWORK (WAN) AND INTERNET SERVICES

All questions submitted and answers are posted on the website. Please check the website daily to see if any questions and answers are posted. (FYI - Attached is a copy of the questions and answers already submitted)

If you should have any questions, please contact the Purchasing Department.

Sincerely,

Russell Hudson Director of Purchasing

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QUESTIONS/ANSWERS

Date - 3/8/21

1. AT&T can provide speeds of 100 G at 79 locations within the AT&T Footprint.

Answer: See Section 3, Part 1, Line b. The solution must be scalable to 10G, 25 G, 40 G, and 100Gb. All schools are currently running 10 G.

2. Are their locations would need 10G, 25G, or 40G? Do all areas require 100G?

Answer: See Section 3, Part 1, Line b. The solution must be scalable to 10G, 25 G, 40 G and 100Gb. All schools are currently running 10 G.

3. There are 12 locations in the CenturyLink footprint where we cannot provide speeds above 2G. Will this disqualify our bid?

Answer: See Section 3, Part 1, Line b. The solution must be scalable to 10G, 25 G, 40 G, and 100Gb. All schools are currently running 10 G.

4. For these 12 locations, would consider utilizing another solutions?

Answer: There is a Specification Variance sheet included with the RFP that states "If bidding a substitute, bidder must identify in detail the differences on this sheet. Please include any other documents that will support your explanation".

5. 100Gbs would require construction across our network which can push the delivery time line beyond 1st July 2021.

Answer: See Section 1 under the scope of services. The new service is being planned to begin on July 1, 2021, which represents the expiration of the current leased WAN service.

6. What type of router or switch will we handoff into at there various locations?

Answer: We have a C9500-24Y4C-A at all sites with a 10GB optic.

7. AT&T will not respond to a dark fiber quote. Does that no bid disqualify our bid for the lit fiber? Answer: See Section 2. The applicant is seeking bids for four services. Respondents may bid one, all, or any combination of options.

The Purpose of the RFP for Wan and Internet Services is to find the most cost-effective solution for Mobile County Public School System.