

Addendum #4
RFP #21-002-651 Wide Area Network
Questions and Answers

1. For the intra-district requests (Taylor, River Rouge, VanBuren), what are the strand count requirements per site for “leased dark fiber”?
At least two strand to each building.
2. Are respondents required to bid services for all locations?
Per Section 1.13, (Right of Refusal), of the RFP, partial bids are acceptable.
3. Or will Wayne RESA award multiple providers?
Per Section 1.13, (Right of Refusal), of the RFP, Wayne RESA reserves the right to award to multiple providers
4. At this time, we have the following question pertaining to the Solution B portion of the bid:
Appendix B – Section 2.7.1 & 2.7.1.1: The instructions in Section 2.7.1 pertaining to including in our bids an estimate of our make ready costs + 20% makes good sense to me. The way I interpret the instructions in Section 2.7.1.1 is that if the actual make ready costs that the pole owners determine to be necessary exceed our estimate (including the additional 20%), the contractor will still be responsible to pay the make ready amounts and will not be compensated by the school district for the amount that is in excess of our estimate. Is this correct?
Per section 2.7.0 (MAKE READY FEES AND PERMIT COSTS) of Appendix B (SELF PROVISIONED FIBER SPECIFICATIONS):
The selected vendor/contractor shall provide the engineering and permitting for constructing the route(s) proposed by the District.
 - 2.7.1** The Bidder is required to include its best estimate of make-ready fees and permitting costs in the Bid plus 20% since based on past experience, utility companies consistently charge higher fees than estimates.
 - 2.7.1.1** All make-ready fees and permit application costs shall be paid for by the selected vendor/contractor upon approval by the District’s representative *and* in accordance with USAC E-rate requirements for invoicing.
 - 2.7.1.2** The selected vendor/contractor is responsible for informing the District if and/or when those costs differ from the original cost estimate in the Bid.
 - 2.7.2** The selected vendor/contractor shall complete, submit, and follow-up until approval by District, of all permit applications to the necessary authorities.
 - 2.7.2.1** In cases where access to certain permit authorities are required by the District (i.e., MDOT), the District shall work with selected vendor/contractor to grant such access, as necessary.

Also, per sub-section 1.8.1 (**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**) of the RFP, vendors are expected to include an executive summary according to the instructions in that section. In addition, per sub-paragraph “C,

v” (Description of Technical Solution) of the Executive Summary, vendors are also expected to include:

“Any assumptions and requirements from Wayne RESA required to complete the solution”

Finally, per section 1.8.2 (**VENDOR RESPONSE FORMS**), vendors “....must clearly indicate whether you either comply or take exception to any of the sections in this RFP”