

**Addendum #2: RFP Questions and Answers**  
**BID #2016-17.02 - E-rate WAN Switched Ethernet**

Hacienda La Puente USD will respond in writing to all questions and will post the answers on our webpage at <http://www.hplschoools.org/ncs>

1. Question - Do you have plans to upgrade your network? Your product specialist and I would love to chat with you about your current infrastructure and discuss your cloud-managed wireless, switching, or firewall needs.

**Answer – This RFP is for E-rate WAN Switched Ethernet, Leased Lit Fiber or Equivalent Service.**

2. Question - We request clarification on the following: The term of contract is 36 months. This is not long enough to insure the district receives the most cost-effective pricing for the proposed WAN. We respectfully suggest a term of 60 months would result in a better price.

**Answer – The Contract period will be for a three (3) year period beginning on July 1, 2017, with the option to extend two (2) additional one (1) year terms.**

3. The process itself is set up as a Public Works Bid, but in fact this is for a leased telecommunications service and no transfer of ownership of the infrastructure provided will or can occur. Therefor the Public Works requirements are unnecessary and we request they be removed. As a certificated carrier in the State of California we already have met or exceeded these requirements. Specifically we request the removal of all bonds and prevailing wage requirements as they are inapplicable to this type of project when the vendor is a CPUC certificated carrier.

**Answer - The bond [and prevailing wage] requirements remain as stated in the RFP.**

4. Question - Will the district accept and evaluate bids for leased dark fiber in a Ring Topology and the modulating electronics required to switch the WAN?

**Answer – See Form 470. The award will comply with the Public Contract Code 20118.2 which allows the District to select the most qualified Bidder(s) whose bid meets the evaluation standards determined by the District and will be the most advantageous to the District with price and all other factors considered, or to reject all responses to the bid, whichever is in the best interest of the District.**

5. Question - I see you have posted a 470 for WAN services, did the district [~~not~~] move forward with Time Warner’s bid from last year?

**Answer – No.**

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Receipt Acknowledgement

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Date

Posted: January 10, 2017

Updated: January 11, 2017 adding receipt and date lines