

STATE OF ALASKA

Department of Public Safety

Division of Administrative Services



BIOMETRIC PROCESSING SYSTEM

RFP 2024-1200-0130

Amendment One

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This amendment is being issued to provide written, complete answers from the pre-proposal conference, answer other vendor questions, and extend the deadline for proposals.

Important Note to Offerors: You must sign and return this page of the amendment document with your proposal. Failure to do so may result in the rejection of your proposal. Only the RFP terms and conditions referenced in this amendment are being changed. All other terms and conditions of the RFP remain the same.

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Questions submitted during the pre-proposal conference and by vendors after:

Question 1: Section 3.01 Scope of Work (a) General, item g – it talks a lot about communicating the biometric information between the department and WIN/NEC and CCH and Person repositories. Are those APIs or specification defined anywhere that we can have access to?

Answer: Exact specifications will be determined during discovery between the vendor and CPI. The chosen vendor should be prepared to either use NIST or CPI's specific XML form, OFML.

Question 2: Section 3.01 (e) CCH Communication, item b – CCH Communication – can you specify which brand you have as an ABIS of the criminal ABIS you have? When we work with ABIS for API's, we need to understand a little bit more about the API's specifications that the ABIS itself, there are a lot of brands that are different brands of ABIS. This is just to understand a little bit of how we need to integrate in this RFP with the ABIS or not, we need to have the specification with the ABIS.

Answer: The state contracts with WIN, and WIN uses NEC's software. For specifications of their software you will need to work with WIN/NEC. Integration in this context means the communication back and forth with WIN/NEC and DPS. Communication specifications can be provided during discovery.

Question 3: On the note of integrations, is there a complete list of all the different applications that would need to be integrated with and the associated workflows, at least at a high level? Are you able to provide a full list?

Answer: Some of the workflows would develop during discovery phase. We have workflows to provide, but these aren't necessarily workflows we want to keep. The state wants to choose the application and vendor that can move us to the next generation of applications and workflows.

See the attached Visio graphic.

Question 4: Sec 3.03 Deliverables, item D: Is there any standard architect or security certification that we should consider depending on how we are hosting with a hosted/cloud environment?

Answer: The hosting site would need to be CJIS secure, including the people working with the material must have an Alaska CSA CJIS Security clearance.

Question 5: How many workstations will be needed?

Answer: 100

Question 6: Sec 1.02 Budget – Is "completion of the project" just the base term or including all option years?

Answer: This does include all option years, which is a total of nine years. Proposals shall not be deemed non-responsive if over the budgeted number, however, cost is part of the evaluation for total score.

Question 7: Was any type of ICE or should-cost estimate developed by the state?

Answer: No.

Question 8: Are all of the costs for hosting to be included in the proposed price, or is there an existing environment that the software and operational costs would be paid for by Alaska DPS?

Answer: The state is looking for a turn-key solution. If you are hosting it in a cloud environment, it needs to be in a CJIS secure environment and those costs need to be included in your proposal. If it is on-premise, then it would be hosted on servers Alaska DPS is already paying for, so there would be no additional associated cost.

Question 9: Is there a preference for the state whether it is an on-premise or vendor-hosted solution?

Answer: The state is looking for the best solution. At this time, the state does not have a preference.

Question 10: In Scope of Work (a) General, h. – It talks about importing data from DPS Person Module or ACOMS. Can information about that system be provided, including data dictionary information?

Answer: In this case, the DPS Person Module being talked about is part of our CCH. The chosen vendor will work with CPI to develop a REST call where when a State ID or Alaska Driver's License number is provided, the service will query our CCH, and return person demographic data to the livescan device in an appropriate format. We are currently working out details of these with both CPI and a new livescan vendor.

ACOMS is an external database owned by the Alaska Department of Corrections that DPS has the ability to query for person demographic information if provided a persons' ACOMS unique identifier.

Question 11: Do we know how many locations you will need to edit cards and EFTs in Alaska?

Answer: There are two locations in Anchorage that would need to edit cards and EFTs.

Question 12: Regarding the requirement below (this is section C of the scope of work, Paper Fingerprint Card Import Software), we can provide this software, but to be FBI compliant it has to be paired to a FBI certified scanner. Should the vendor provide the scanner or is the State of Alaska going to provide the scanner for this purpose? Also, how many stations will this software run on? There is software licensing that goes along with this.

Answer: The vendor should provide this as part of their proposal. The different types of certified equipment can be found here if we choose to purchase separately: [Certified Products List \(CPL\) — BioSpecs \(fbi.gov\)](#). The chosen vendor should be prepared to provide approximately 50 scanners and application licensing for this purpose.

Question 13: Do you know the Projected Growth of the Database you will have at the end of the project. If not do you know the % of growth per year. You listed a 13TB/5 Million fingerprint card migration under Section 3 Scope of Work (h). Any information would be helpful.

Answer: Over the past 5-years, the Fingerprint Archive grew an average of 550GB per year.

Question 14: Will you need Biometric Searching in the future and would you like a price separated out for this.

Answer: The DPS has no preference at this time.

Question 15: Do you have intentions in adding additional record types to this system, like Face, Iris, and Voice.

Answer: Yes, it is the DPS's preference the selected vendor has options for future biometric record types.

Changes to the RFP:

Change 1: The deadline for proposals is extended to March 8, 2024 at 4:30pm prevailing Alaska Time.

