

Essex County, VA

RFP #2016-301-01

Addendum 1, Issued June 24, 2016

A pre-proposal conference was held at 202 South Church Lane, Tappahannock, VA on **June 23, 2016 at 9:00 a.m.** In attendance were:

Pam Smith, Interim County Administrator (Purchasing Officer)
Fred Mitchell, Director of Facilities
James Brann, Chief of Emergency Services
Kim Williams, Communications Supervisor
Chuck Huntley, Director of IT
Corey Beazley, Member of the Essex County Radio Policy Committee
Edwin Smith, Member of the Essex County Radio Policy Committee
Greg Hunter, Emergency Services Coordinator, King and Queen County
Jim Ashworth, Chief of Police, Town of Tappahannock
Stanley Clarke, Sheriff, Essex County
Patti D'Andrea, Federal Engineering
Charlie Shaver, Communication Specialists, Inc.
C J Hicks, Dadelus Engineering, Inc.
Edwin Nettleton, AECOM
Mark Athearn, Black & Veatch Corporation
Manus O'Donnell, LS telcom

Questions/Clarifications:

1. Who are the participating jurisdictions in the regional radio system? Essex, King and Queen Counties
2. Page 4 of the RFP states a presentation will be made to CRCSC. This is incorrect. A presentation will be made to the local steering committee to include Essex and King and Queen Counties.
3. Many questions were asked about work done to date. The Base Best and Final Offer document that was used by Harris and Tait is attached. Also attached is a brief needs assessment that was prepared by a joint (Essex/King and Queen) radio work group.
4. Page 6 of the RFP states that our current radio system is P25 compliant. It is not.
5. Page 9, section F. asks for an all-inclusive hourly rate for all proposed team members for initial evaluation purposes. During negotiations, more specific pricing will be requested and estimates of the total hours required to perform work will be required.
6. Page 5, Section IV – an appendix may be included in the offeror's response to satisfy the requirements of this section.
7. Will the firm awarded the contract assist Essex County in its decision to choose Tait Communications or Harris Communications? All information provided will go to the Radio Policy Committee which will make a recommendation to the Board of Supervisors who will then make a decision on which system to purchase.
8. Will the firm have access to each companies' proposals and drawings before award? Upon award of a contract the successful consultant will be provided a copy of submitted proposals.
9. The Memorandum of Understanding between Essex & King and Queen was established to increase the regions ability to attract possible grants. Has Essex County secured a grant? No

10. Will Essex County & King and Queen Counties commence work simultaneously or in tandem? The potential for both options for deployment exist.
11. Will this contract with Tait and or Harris abolish the use of the Motorola Network? The intent of this RFP is to seek a professional RF engineering consultant who will evaluate the proposed public safety communications systems received to date. The status of the Motorola network will not be determined until a decision to proceed has been reached.
12. Will the firm awarded the contract be responsible for tower or frequency development? The respondent should have the capability to respond to or assist in any related requirements such as tower structural or engineering and frequency coordination, application, or frequency interference/conflict resolution.