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ADDENDUM 1 TO RFP 1058:
Wireless Access Points (WAPs) Switches, Controllers, Transceivers, and Licenses

Respondent Questions and MPS Answers:

1. Question: Regarding the C9300 and C9300X switches:
 - a) Do they require redundant power supplies?
Answer: No
If yes, how many?
Answer: N/A
 - b) Do they require stacking cables?
Answer: No
If yes, how many?
Answer: N/A
 - c) Do they require stack power cables?
Answer: No
If yes, how many?
Answer: N/A
 - d) Do they require SSD drives for the switches?
Answer: No
If yes, how many?
Answer: N/A
 - e) Since C9300-NM-8X= does not work in the C9300X-24Y-EDU switch, do you require an appropriate Network module for these switches such as C9300X-NM-8Y=?
Answer: No
If yes, how many?
Answer: N/A

2. Question: RE: Section 5.3 Submission of the Proposal-We understand the ask for one wet signed original and 11 hard copies of the proposal to be submitted to Milwaukee Public Schools. However, with the Covid 19 Pandemic, and a focus to be environmental stewards, we have seen amended requests for digital copies to accompany the Original signed proposal. Is MPS open to receiving the original signed copy, and a digital copy? If not, can you confirm MPS's quantity request of 11 hard copies?
Answer: The requirements set forth in "Section 5.3 Submission of the Proposal" remain.

3. Question: For Support-All EDU versions of the switches/APs/controllers would come with 3 years of TAC Access (phone support only), SW Updates, Firmware Upgrades, and Cisco's Enhanced Limited Lifetime Warranty. Does MPS require a higher level of service? If so, please specify.

Answer: No

4. Question: For the wireless DNA licensing (mfg# EDU-DNA-E-7Y)- The ask is for Qty 4,561 licenses, and Qty 4,568 APs. This leaves 7 spare APs on this RFP, as well as the roughly Qty 720 C91xx series APs & Qty 823 2802's that were previously purchased, which would not have DNA subscriptions.

a) Do these additional APs need to be accounted for on the 9800 controllers?

Answer: No

b) If so, what is the total number of licenses that would be needed?

Answer: N/A

5. Question: For C9300-24U-EDU:

a) Are secondary power supplies preferred?

Answer: No

b) Are stacking cables and/or stack power cables needed?

Answer: No

6. Question: For C9300X-24Y:

a) Are redundant power supplies preferred?

Answer: No

b) Are stacking cables and/or stack power cables needed?

Answer: No

Comment from Service Provider: It is also important to note that all C9300 & C9300X switches will require a DNA subscription with the purchase of the switch. This would jump that quantity from 437 to 439, regardless of if they are spares or in production.

7. Question: Would MPS RFP pages, appendices and tabs be counted towards the 35-page proposal limit?

Answer: The proposal page limit of 35 pages is related to the Service Provider's response and does not need to include MPS RFP pages, tabs and/or appendices.

8. Question: If a Service Provider offers a co-managed Meraki based solution for switches, AP's, and Edge Appliances that would include installation, licensing management, and support and provide MPS with full access to the entire deployment for configuration changes, trouble-shooting, alerting, and administration would MPS consider a Bid solution so long as it's compatible with its existing equipment and network management system?

Answer: MPS requires the items identified in the RFP or their equivalent.

9. Question: Would a rackmount shelf be considered in place of a 19" bracket when considering other manufacturers?

Answer: No.