



REQUEST FOR INFORMATION (RFI)
Advanced Metering Infrastructure Hardware and Services
Solicitation No.: F-17-003-GC
Addendum 1 | September 26, 2017

CHANGES TO THE RFI

1. Project Information, Section d. Estimated Timeline, RFI Statements Due – The submittal deadline has been changed from September 29, 2017, 10:00 AM (CT) to **October 6, 2017, 10:00 AM (CT)**.

END CHANGES TO THE RFI

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

1. **Please clarify. The RFI states SAWS has 460,000 water customers but in the meter manufacturer breakdown there are 514,106. Also, on the breakdown Adarling and Dresser are listed which are not water meter manufacturers.**

To clarify SAWS meter population make up, per the 2016 TWDB water audit report, there are 465,286 residential meters and 29,164 general and wholesale meters.

2. **Please clarify. On item #6 of the required responses you note that CPS has an AMI network (Silver Springs) which SAWS can leverage. Is it the opinion, from an economic standpoint that utilizing the CPS AMI network will be a first priority for SAWS?**

All options are being evaluated from a financial and implementation basis with no specific priority being set. Vendor responses should take into account the possible scenario where transmitters and other product offerings would be integrated into the Silver Springs network.

3. **I respectfully request that a one week extension on the deadline be provided, as this would allow my company to provide the most detailed, accurate, and concise response to SAWS request.**

Refer to Changes to the RFI above.

4. Is SAWS already conducting a full scale feasibility analysis for AMI technology?

Yes.

5. If so, is SAWS conducting that analysis internally or have they hired an external firm to conduct the analysis?

An external firm has been hired to guide and assist.

6. If an external firm has been hired, what is the name of that firm?

West Monroe.

7. Is the purpose of Solicitation # F-17-003-GC to gather data just on manufacturers and technology providers that believe they offer a solution to meet SAWS needs?

The purpose of this Request For Information (RFI) is to gather any and all information relative to AMI Technology, large scale deployment options, and the current state of commercial offerings in order to define options for next steps.

8. Or is this solicitation designed to identify firms that are agnostic to the final solution and capable of leading SAWS through the feasibility process as well as assisting in the selection and procurement of a preferred technology provider?

See response to question seven (7).

9. Our firm would like to disclose information that is confidential in our proposal. The nature of this information is specific to SAWS and not publicly available. The non-disclosure that is on page 10 covers information from SAWS to respondents. We would like to have a reciprocal agreement. Our firm wants to provide a level of transparency in our response that would require an NDA. Please advise.

Proposals would be subject to The Texas Public Information Act (TPIA). When we receive an open records request for proposals, we put the third party on notice and allow them the opportunity to submit their arguments to the attorney general.

END OF QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

No other items, dates, or deadlines for this RFI are changed.

END ADDENDUM 1