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FBISD WAN RFP ADDENDUM #2

This addendum documents the questions, answers and statements following the pre-proposal conference of 11:00 AM Thursday, October 28, 1999.

1. Web Site Address

On-going district information and vendor correspondence, including addendums, will be posted at <u>www.eps4.com/fbisd.html</u>.

2. 2.4 Mandatory Site Visits

Campus site visits are <u>not</u> mandatory. <u>Route</u> planing is the focus of this paragraph. "It is the responsibility of the proposer to become familiar with the project and <u>survey the routes</u> prior to the proposal opening."

3. Site Maps

Campus maps will be made available as soon as the plans are gathered and MC's are identified on each. All RFP recipients will be notified when and where these documents will be available. It is anticipated these documents will be available within 7 days.

4. 3.2 Functional Specifications

The district is interested in maximum two-way distance learning capacity. In Phase 1 - High Schools - the intention is for each High School and Administration building be able to conduct two way distance learning simultaneously. Total of 11 video sessions. Phase 2 - add 11 middle school sites, and Phase 3 - add 33 elementary school sites. Phase 4 - new and future campus construction.

5. 3.3 Technical Specifications - Demarcation Point

This RFP is for transport services only. Vendor is responsible transport to the termination point within the district provided MC (Head-end) rack. No equipment or patch cords are part of this RFP.

6. 3.3 Technical Specifications - Remote NOC

Option 2 submission with a remote NOC is **optional**. Hightower High School has been presented as a "logical" point for a remote NOC because the FBISD video studio and associated services originate from this campus. The respondent can identify and propose a remote NOC based upon their design that would optimize services, construction time and cost to the district.

7. 4.0 Proposal Form - Added Value Services

The respondent will document added value services and associated costs if any. Access to George Memorial Library, Region IV, Higher Education Institutions, other K-12 School Districts, Educational Services, direct High-Speed Internet access, etc would be examples.

8. 4.0 Proposal Form

The proposal form will be modified to reflect vendor identified Remote NOC and will be posted in MS Word format at <u>http://www.eps4.com/fbisd.html</u>.

9. Funding Source

Funding for the FBISD WAN project is from local funds and grants. Phase 1 - Connectivity to the High Schools - is currently in place for year one. Phase 2 - Middle Schools in year 2 and Phase 3 - Elementary Schools in year 3 will be budgeted based upon the awarded contract. Funding for these subsequent phases will be from local funds and grants. This project is not funded from bond sources.

10. RPF Questions

EPS will accept RFP questions until 5:00pm CST, Monday, November 8, 1999 to allow for Addendum posting and adequate vendor response time.