

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP) NO. 21-001

SUBSCRIBER RADIOS

Addendum #1

September 25, 2020

This addendum addresses questions submitted by prospective proposers.

Question List / **Answers in Bold**

1. What is the trunking system that these radios will be using? Can you provide the System ID / Wide Area Communications Network (WACN)?

Due to security concerns, the NCR will not provide system keys or WACN ids to prospective proposers.

2. The RFP mentions compatibility with David Clark / Firecom headset systems – are these accessories already owned or are they being procured as well?

These devices are already procured by specific agencies and are not being procured as part of this solicitation.

3. The RFP at several points mentions vehicle adapters – if an Offeror is unable to provide vehicle adapters, but can provide mobile and portable radios that meet the requirement, would that constitute an acceptable Proposal submission?

Yes, this meets the intent of the solicitation.

4. Under Section XII. Additional Specifications, request clarification on the table “Additional Options That Can Be Added” – are the capability for these options hard requirements or desired only as potential priced options? Would the lack of an additional option (for example DVRS activation) disqualify an Offeror as not meeting the requirement?

Proposers are welcome to provide additional options as part of the overall Proposal submission. The lack of submission or the lack of an option will NOT disqualify the offeror as part of the overall proposal.

5. Please confirm based on previous conversations that it is the intent of MWCOCG for this to be a multi-vendor award?

The intent is to allow for multiple awards.

6. There appear to be several specifications within this document that are proprietary to a single manufacturer and are contrary to the P25 Public Safety Radio Standard. They are as follows:

- Subscriber-Generated Evacuation Tone

- The requirement for a Rotary Channel Selector is specific to a single manufacturer, is against NFPA best practices for fireground operations and is not part of the P25 Standard. In addition, this provides a safety issue to the end user as the potential exists for contention when knob settings on the radio are different than the knob settings on remote speaker microphone. This lends itself to confusion in an emergency situation and can definitely be categorized as an officer safety issue.

All Proposals will be considered based on needed and available features and feature sets and the end user need. The absolute requirement is complete interoperability with existing systems in the NCR, however no Proposals will be disqualified based on availability or unavailability of a feature.

7. The following features from the prior specification have not been spelled out in this current specification document. They are as follows:
 - 250 Zone Operation
 - 3000 ID's/Alias'
 - Proprietary Motorola Conventional Failsoft OperationIf these are no longer requirements, please clarify.

The requirements remain as listed. If a specific requirement is not listed it can be considered no longer a requirement, however all available features will be considered by all offers'

8. Enhanced Data is a Motorola Proprietary feature and not part of the APCO P25 Standard. Will this requirement be waived?

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9. SmartZone Operations is a Motorola Proprietary protocol and not in accordance with the APCO P25 standard. Will this requirement be waived?

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10. Please define the requirement "site selectable alert for P25 trunking."

Site selectable alert is a functionality that provides the ability for a system operator to send critical notifications to users in the selected coverage zone or cell. The ability to target users in a coverage zone or cell can be useful for notifying users quickly and simultaneously of hazards that may be in proximity to them.