



## 873-2022 ADDENDUM 1

### MANAGED WAVELENGTH - ETHERNET PRIVATE LINE (EPL) SERVICE

#### **URGENT**

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WHOEVER IS IN POSSESSION OF THE  
BID/PROPOSAL**

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**THIS ADDENDUM SHALL BE INCORPORATED  
INTO THE BID/PROPOSAL AND SHALL FORM  
A PART OF THE CONTRACT DOCUMENTS**

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#### **PART B – BIDDING PROCEDURES**

Revise: B2.1 to read: The Submission Deadline is 4:00 p.m. Winnipeg time, January 6, 2022

#### **QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS**

Q1: Is an interim EPL service without using on-premise CPE be allowed due to global chip and hardware shortage?

A1: Yes – Proponents are allowed to temporarily implement an equally functional point-to-point EPL service and solution with the following conditions:

1. The Proponent will be given three (3) months to source out the required hardware to fully implement a “Managed Wavelength EPL Service” as per Part E2 - Specifications.
2. The Proponent shall provide the required hardware/software to enable WPS to use the temporary solution.
3. The Proponent is required to provide a detailed method of procedure to enable minimal service outage during the cutover. Maximum allowed outage is ten (10) minutes.

Q2: Aside from the components cited in Part B8.1, are there any other documents required in the bid.

A2: No – only the Form A: Bid\_Proposal and Form B: Prices are required.

Q3: What are the bases for evaluating the Proponents bid?

A3: In accordance with B17.1, the bids will be evaluated using the following criteria:

- (a) compliance by the Bidder with the requirements (i.e. required specifications) of the Tender, or acceptable deviation therefrom (pass/fail);
- (b) qualifications of the Bidder and the Subcontractors, if any, pursuant to B13 (pass/fail);
- (c) Total Bid Price.

Q4: If the successful proponent is the incumbent vendor, may they forgo and skip the service activation test?

A4: Yes – However, the Proponent will be required to submit a Service Availability report that would indicate similar performance ratio as specified in Part E2.1. (j) for Frame Loss ( $1 \times 10^{-6}$ ) which is equivalent to 99.9999% service availability in the past one (1) year.

Q5. Would WPS accept PDF or Microstation files for as-built records and drawings?

A5: Files created as “.dwg” are accepted, submission of pdf version of the drawings is encouraged.

Q6. Can the vendor be exempted from Asbestos remediation during installation?

A6: Asbestos remediation is required for all new installations.