

Documents requested but not provided by PA Department of Education (PDE)

1) SOLICITATION FILES 08-01

--There are no posts or links on the website for Solicitations files for 08-01

2) PRE-PROPOSAL CONFERENCE SIGN-IN SHEET 08-01 and 08-02

--PDE did not provide a response to this request and there is no post or link on any website that provides the sign in sheets.

3) RECOMMENDATION FOR CONTRACTOR SELECTION 08-01 and 08-02

This document was provided for the 2016 contract. It shows the bidder that was recommended and the scoring of the bidders. It is helpful in reviewing the strengths of the bidders.

---PDE did not provide a response to this request and there is no post or link on any website that provides the recommendation sheets.

4) AMENDMENTS AND EXTENSIONS:

--Documents executed for the amendments or extension. Such documents would be those making the request for the amendment or extension, the proposal for them, the memorandum of agreement, PDE's acceptance documentation and any amendment or extension contract executed by the parties to effectuate the amendment or extension.

PDE's response was that the Purchase Order will also then include the reason for any amendment to the work and will constitute the parties' agreement to the amendment. However, the request goes further than wanting the reason for the amendment and the parties' agreement. The request was for documents between the parties which established the need and the price. As this process did not go through the procurement process, for transparency purposes, there should be documents that constitute an informal request for the amendment or an informal bid or arrival at the amount needed for the amendment.

Also, we still need the 3 Purchase Orders to 3 amendments that occurred to 08-02 and the contract amount resulting from the amendments. No link or post has been made for these 3 Purchase Orders.

5) AN EXPLANATION OF THE COMPLETION OF THE TWO EXTENSION DOCUMENTS

a) If the contract is complete as of June 30, 2016, why is there no final total of spending determined as last responded by PDE?

b) If the purpose of the two extensions were to allow for sufficient time to competently and successfully prepare a new solicitation with Department of General Services (DGS) approval, why didn't the two extensions end when the new contract was signed in Dec. 2015 or at least Jan 1, 2016 when effective?

A reply that the two contracts were complete did not answer the question as to whether the contracts terminate on January 1, 2016 or were payments on the contract still paid out after January 1, 2016. If so, how much?

6) ADDITIONAL CONTRACT

All information related to a contract that was put to bid, awarded and then cancelled prior to the beginning of the procurement process for the 2016 contract awarded to Data Recognition Corporation (DRC).