METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON AIRPORTS AUTHORITY

IFB No. 1-17-C099
Dynamic Messaging Signs for the Dulles International Airport Access Highway

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<u>Questions and Answers</u>

Notice: Questions may have been edited for clarity and relevance.

1. **Question:** Does the Dulles Corridor Advisory Committee (Virginia DOT/Metro Washington Airport Authority/Dulles Toll Road Committee) specify full NTCIP, MUTCD, and NEMA standard compliance for all Dynamic Messaging Signs (DMS) on this project?

   Answer: **Any compliance requirements are provided in the contract documents.**

2. **Question:** To meet VDOT and Federal DOT requirements, will all DMS require Full NTCIP Compliance for both Hardware and Software?

   Answer: **Any compliance requirements are provided in the contract documents.**

3. **Question:** What kind of content management software is used by the Dulles International Airport Access Highway?

   Answer: **Venus Control Suite or approved equal. Specifications provided in drawings N00A-ITS-400 and N00A-ITS-402.**

4. **Question:** Does Dulles Airport use Fourwinds, Everbridge, ComQi, or another software content provider to create, manage and display content on these DMS?

   Answer: **No, the specifications for the DMS software are provided in drawings N00A-ITS-400 and N00A-ITS-402.**

5. **Question:** Will the Buy American Executive order requirements apply to the purchase of these DMS?

   Answer: **No.**

6. **Question:** Are Federal Funds being utilized for this project?

   Answer: **No.**

7. **Question:** Bid Item 1 and 2 state to include a five-year warranty. Is this warranty parts only? Or Parts and labor?

   Answer: **Warranty is for parts and labor.**

8. **Question:** Item 03 calls for Venus Control Suite. Will this software be cloud hosted by the sign manufacturer? Or locally hosted by Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority (MWAA)? If locally hosted by MWAA, MWAA would be responsible for installing and updating software on their end user provided server.

   Answer: **It will be hosted locally by MWAA. Contractor and/or DMS manufacturer will install and test the software.**

9.   **Question:**   With the emphasis on LDBE and Small Business size requirements (less than $36.5M and fewer than 500 employees), will annual revenue and business size be factors of consideration in supplier selection, as it is with Prime contractor selection?

Answer: **This is an Invitation for Bids (IFB), therefore the winning bidder will be based on the lowest acceptable bid. This IFB has a 100% LDBE participation requirement, meaning that the prime contractor and all subcontractors/suppliers/ manufacturers (with exceptions noted in Section IX (03) of the IFB) must be LDBE certified by the Airports Authority before the contract can be awarded. The $36.5 million annual gross receipts amount and 500 employees number applies to the maximum business size standards allowable for LDBE certification (see Section IX (02)) of the IFB.**