



**BID #19-2019  
Emergency Responder Radio Coverage Systems**

**Addendum #3: Questions and Answer**

**May 28, 2020**

**A. NOTES:**

- Preliminary test results described in RFP Section V, Background, and discussed in Amendment 1, Section B.12, are attached for the use of proposing firms. Results are also located at:  
<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1Nvj24MkQxGDnmZIGkpbXOjOmrKM-9svc?usp=sharing>

\*If you experience any issue with this link email [LROBINSONLEE@RHMAIL.ORG](mailto:LROBINSONLEE@RHMAIL.ORG)

- AUTOCAD floorplans of the three high schools accompany these results and may be used by proposing firms as requested. The Main Distribution Frame (MDF) locations for each high school, as discussed in Amendment 1, section B.4., are denoted on these floorplans. Drawings may be accessed at the Google Drive link above.
- The tentative timeline provided in specification section XIII is amended as follows:

Proposal Issue Date	April 20, 2020
Non-Mandatory Pre-Proposal Meeting	April 28, 2020 at 9:00AM
Addendum #2 (proposal extension)	May 20, 2020
Addendum #3 (results and Q&A)	May 28, 2020
Last Day for Questions	May 29, 2020
Proposal Due Date	June 11, 2020
Interviews (If required)	June 16-18, 2020
Intent to Award (tentatively)	June 25, 2020
Contract Implementation	July 6, 2020
Contract Completion	October 30, 2020

## B. QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS:

1. V. BACKGROUND: The last sentence in the 2<sup>nd</sup> paragraph indicates "... ensure communications ..... public safety and security personnel..." Please confirm security personnel also use radios in the 800 MHz bands as used by first responders.  
The District's security personnel utilize a 450 MHz system, and enhancement of this system is outside the scope of work/RFP. The system should be proposed to meet IFC 510 compliance for first responder and public safety 800 MHz radio systems.
2. Fire Alarm Panel Interface: Considering the number of expansions and additions to the schools,
  - a. Which buildings have a separate, dedicated fire alarm control panel?  
There are no independent fire alarm panels with an existing fire alarm system. The panels are inter-connected and report as one system to monitor.
  - b. Where are these panels located  
See response to 2.a.
  - c. Would you please consider having an allowance for the fire alarm panel interface work as was done for fire wall & roof penetrations?  
No, as this is not applicable.
3. 3<sup>rd</sup> Paragraph Under "Existing Building Conditions" makes reference to a Basement Level at Rock Hill HS Building A.  
This is a typographical error. The basement level is in Rock Hill HS Building. E. Building E has a total of 3 floors including the small basement level. There is no basement in Building. A.
4. Assuming radio coverage is required in the basement, Can you provide floor plans for this basement?  
Floorplans for Building E have been provided in the drawings.
5. Is there a similar basement in NWHS Building A?  
No.
6. Completion Date. Is it reasonable to assume that the completion date of Sept. 7, 2020 will be postponed by the same number of days as the award date is postponed?  
The completion date was extended by Amendment #1 to October 30, 2020. See the Note in paragraph A for overall timeline changes.
7. Please provide the corresponding wage scale rates, listing communications or low voltage technicians, to be used in this contract?  
The only General Wage Determination (GWD) for York County is attached. This GWD covers journeyman electricians, general laborers and certain other crafts (e.g., roofers)

but does not cover low voltage or communications technicians anticipated for the scope of work. A specific project wage determination will be requested / provided as soon as it is available. For purposes of this RFP response, please incorporate wage scales listed in the GWD only for the personnel planned/proposed which meet the craft description. Low voltage technicians and other crafts planned but not listed in the GWD should be priced at the local wage normally paid by the firm. Further details can be found at <https://beta.sam.gov/> as well as in the **General Decision Number: SC2020031 01/03/2020** below.

**NOTE:** The successful proposing firm will be required to furnish actual prevailing wages and fringe benefits for any and all crafts to be employed, in accordance with Davis-Bacon Act requirements and Section III.2 of this RFP. An additive or deductive modification to the subsequent contract may be negotiated as required based upon further wage determinations compared to submitted payroll data.

**C. AMENDMENTS:**

Under **Section VII, Scope of Work**, replace the first paragraph and two bullet sub-paragraphs with the following:

“The Contractor shall design and build a system which will enable all campus buildings at each location above to meet current International Fire Code (IFC) 510 Requirements and increase signal strength for the York County Department of Public Safety Communications - 800 MHz radio system.”

Under the Subparagraph “**Standard**” of **Section VII, Scope of Work**, replace the first two paragraphs with the following:

“Northwestern and South Pointe High Schools are located within Rock Hill City limits. Rock Hill High School is located outside of Rock Hill City Limits. In all three locations the ERRCS installed shall ensure the communication of the York County public safety radio system.”

**NOTE:** The project funding source will only apply to attain compliance with IFC 510, as described in the RFP, for the primary county first responder radio system, the York County Department of Public Safety Communications – 800 MHz radio system. Proposing firms should use readings on this system only for their proposals for evaluation purposes. After award of the scope of work in this RFP, the Rock Hill School District reserves the right to negotiate a modification to the contract with the successful proposing firm for any new or enhanced technical requirements and any added cost to achieve compliance with the South Carolina “Palmetto 800” MHz radio system.

Add to the Subparagraph **“Existing Building Conditions”** the following at the end of the subparagraph:

“Each high school campus has a radio tower in close proximity of the buildings in the scope of work. Towers are typically 80 to 85 feet in height, and are shown on the drawings provided. Proposing firms may, as an alternative, propose the use of these towers as a platform for equipment installation which could replace, supplement or assist the design of the distributed antenna system, in whole or in part, as a means of providing a best value solution for the district to achieve compliance with IFC 510.”

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**General Decision Number: SC20200031 01/03/2020**

Superseded General Decision Number: SC20190031

State: South Carolina

Construction Type: Building

County: York County in South Carolina.

BUILDING CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS (does not include single family homes or apartments up to and including 4 stories).

**Note:** Under Executive Order (EO) 13658, an hourly minimum wage of \$10.80 for calendar year 2020 applies to all contracts subject to the Davis-Bacon Act for which the contract is awarded (and any solicitation was issued) on or after January 1, 2015. If this contract is covered by the EO, the contractor must pay all workers in any classification listed on this wage determination at least \$10.80 per hour (or the applicable wage rate listed on this wage determination, if it is higher) for all hours spent performing on the contract in calendar year 2020. If this contract is covered by the EO and a classification considered necessary for performance of work on the contract does not appear on this wage determination, the contractor must pay workers in that classification at least the wage rate determined through the conformance process set forth in 29 CFR 5.5(a)(1)(ii) (or the EO minimum wage rate, if it is higher than the conformed wage rate). The EO minimum wage rate will be adjusted annually. Please note that this EO applies to the above-mentioned types of contracts entered into by the federal government that are subject to the Davis-Bacon Act itself, but it does not apply to contracts subject only to the Davis-Bacon Related Acts, including those set forth at 29 CFR 5.1(a)(2)-(60). Additional information on contractor requirements and worker protections under the EO is available at [www.dol.gov/whd/govcontracts](http://www.dol.gov/whd/govcontracts).

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\* ELEC0379-010 09/01/2019

	Rates	Fringes
ELECTRICIAN.....	\$ 27.44	13%+7.80

Work from swinging scaffolds, boson chairs, or raw structural steel: \$1.00 per hour additional.

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	Rates	Fringes
BRICKLAYER.....	\$ 17.50	0.67
CARPENTER (Form Work Only)...	\$ 15.53	1.76
CARPENTER, Excludes Drywall Hanging, and Form Work.....	\$ 17.14	0.00
CEMENT MASON/CONCRETE FINISHER...	\$ 14.10	0.00
DRYWALL HANGER.....	\$ 16.32	1.50
LABORER: Common or General.....	\$ 11.26	0.00
LABORER: Landscape.....	\$ 9.45	0.49
LABORER: Mason Tender-Brick/Concrete/Cement/Stone.....	\$ 10.88	0.00
LABORER: Pipelayer	\$ 14.69	2.08
OPERATOR: Backhoe/Excavator/Trackhoe.....	\$ 16.05	1.96
OPERATOR: Bulldozer.....	\$ 17.07	2.65
OPERATOR: Crane.....	\$19.39	2.02
OPERATOR: Grader/Blade.....	\$ 17.50	1.78
OPERATOR: Loader.....	\$ 11.64	1.03
PAINTER: Brush, Roller and Spray.....	\$ 12.36	0.00
PIPEFITTER.....	\$ 19.67	9.16
PLUMBER.....	\$ 19.21	4.56
ROOFER.....	\$ 12.11	0.00
SHEET METAL WORKER (HVAC Duct Installation Only).....	\$ 19.11	0.00
TRUCK DRIVER.....	\$ 14.05	3.18

WELDERS - Receive rate prescribed for craft performing operation to which welding is incidental.

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Note: Executive Order (EO) 13706, Establishing Paid Sick Leave for Federal Contractors applies to all contracts subject to the Davis-Bacon Act for which the contract is awarded (and any solicitation was issued) on or after January 1, 2017. If this contract is covered by the EO, the contractor must provide employees with 1 hour of paid sick leave for every 30 hours they work, up to 56 hours of paid sick leave each year. Employees must be permitted to use paid sick leave for their own illness, injury or other health-related needs, including preventive care; to assist a family member (or person who is like family to the employee) who is ill, injured, or has other health-related needs, including preventive care; or for reasons resulting from, or to assist a family member (or person who is like family to the employee) who is a victim of, domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking. Additional information on contractor requirements and worker protections under the EO is available at [www.dol.gov/whd/govcontracts](http://www.dol.gov/whd/govcontracts).

Unlisted classifications needed for work not included within the scope of the classifications listed may be added after award only as provided in the labor standards contract clauses (29CFR 5.5 (a) (1) (ii)).

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The body of each wage determination lists the classification and wage rates that have been found to be prevailing for the cited type(s) of construction in the area covered by the wage determination. The classifications are listed in alphabetical order of ""identifiers"" that indicate whether the particular rate is a union rate (current union negotiated rate for local), a survey rate (weighted average rate) or a union average rate (weighted union average rate).

#### Union Rate Identifiers

A four letter classification abbreviation identifier enclosed in dotted lines beginning with characters other than ""SU"" or ""UAVG"" denotes that the union classification and rate were prevailing for that classification in the survey.

Example: PLUM0198-005 07/01/2014. PLUM is an abbreviation identifier of the union which prevailed in the survey for this classification, which in this example would be Plumbers. 0198 indicates the local union number or district council number where applicable, i.e., Plumbers Local 0198. The next number, 005 in the example, is an internal number used in processing the wage determination. 07/01/2014 is the effective date of the most current negotiated rate, which in this example is July 1, 2014.

Union prevailing wage rates are updated to reflect all rate changes in the collective bargaining agreement (CBA) governing this classification and rate.

#### Survey Rate Identifiers

Classifications listed under the ""SU"" identifier indicate that no one rate prevailed for this classification in the survey and the published rate is derived by computing a weighted average rate based on all the rates reported in the survey for that classification. As this weighted average rate includes all rates reported in the survey, it may include both union and non-union rates. Example: SULA2012-007 5/13/2014. SU indicates the rates are survey rates based on a weighted average calculation of rates and

are not majority rates. LA indicates the State of Louisiana. 2012 is the year of survey on which these classifications and rates are based. The next number, 007 in the example, is an internal number used in producing the wage determination. 5/13/2014 indicates the survey completion date for the classifications and rates under that identifier.

Survey wage rates are not updated and remain in effect until a new survey is conducted.

#### Union Average Rate Identifiers

Classification(s) listed under the UAVG identifier indicate that no single majority rate prevailed for those classifications; however, 100% of the data reported for the classifications was union data. EXAMPLE: UAVG-OH-0010 08/29/2014. UAVG indicates that the rate is a weighted union average rate. OH indicates the state. The next number, 0010 in the example, is an internal number used in producing the wage determination. 08/29/2014 indicates the survey completion date for the classifications and rates under that identifier.

A UAVG rate will be updated once a year, usually in January of each year, to reflect a weighted average of the current negotiated/CBA rate of the union locals from which the rate is based.

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#### WAGE DETERMINATION APPEALS PROCESS

1.) Has there been an initial decision in the matter? This can be:

- \* an existing published wage determination
- \* a survey underlying a wage determination
- \* a Wage and Hour Division letter setting forth a position on a wage determination matter
- \* a conformance (additional classification and rate) ruling

On survey related matters, initial contact, including requests for summaries of surveys, should be with the Wage and Hour Regional Office for the area in which the survey was conducted because those Regional Offices have responsibility for the Davis-Bacon survey program. If the response from this initial contact is not satisfactory, then the process described in 2.) and 3.) should be followed.

With regard to any other matter not yet ripe for the formal process described here, initial contact should be with the Branch of Construction Wage Determinations. Write to:

Branch of Construction Wage Determinations  
Wage and Hour Division  
U.S. Department of Labor  
200 Constitution Avenue, N.W.  
Washington, DC 20210



2.) If the answer to the question in 1.) is yes, then an interested party (those affected by the action) can request review and reconsideration from the Wage and Hour Administrator (See 29 CFR Part 1.8 and 29 CFR Part 7). Write to:

Wage and Hour Administrator  
U.S. Department of Labor  
200 Constitution Avenue, N.W.  
Washington, DC 20210

The request should be accompanied by a full statement of the interested party's position and by any information (wage payment data, project description, area practice material, etc.) that the requestor considers relevant to the issue.

3.) If the decision of the Administrator is not favorable, an interested party may appeal directly to the Administrative Review Board (formerly the Wage Appeals Board). Write to:

Administrative Review Board  
U.S. Department of Labor  
200 Constitution Avenue, N.W.  
Washington, DC 20210

4.) All decisions by the Administrative Review Board are final.

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END OF GENERAL DECISION