

Addendum No. 1

January 12, 2016

DISTRICTWIDE FIBER OPTIC WIDE AREA NETWORK SERVICES

E-RATE YEAR 19 (2016-2017) RFP NO. 15-16-107

Below is the list of questions received and clarifications.

- 1. Question: Please clarify the Schedule A last 3 column(Long/Lat, Hub, Approximate Distance form Hub).
 - Clarification: The last 3 columns are for location purposes only, they do not need to be filled out.
- 2. Question: Are you looking for dual entrances into each location or just all sites connecting via a ring configuration?
 - Clarification: All sites connecting via a ring configuration.
- 3. Question: This RFP seems to be for a Public Works Project and includes several bond requirements normally associated with a Public Works Project. However, the RFP requests leased services, with no ownership of the underlying infrastructure by the District. In point of fact, the rules governing the E-Rate process specifically prohibit ownership of Category 1 infrastructure paid for in part by the E-Rate program by the applicant. The California Teleconnect Fund follows suit. A service provider attempting to bond a leased project where said provider retains ownership of the infrastructure would be in the position of bonding itself, which is not logical, nor cost-effective. Further, our California legal representation informs us there is no statute under California law to require bonds in this sort of lease. We respectfully request you strike the bonding requirements in the RFP Clarification: Lit Fiber Services are Leased Services and therefore do NOT need the Bid Bond included in the bid proposal. Dark Fiber is Owned by the District, requires trenching and Public Works, and therefore DOES require the Bid Bond be included in the bid proposal.