University of Maine System American Power Conversion (APC) Equipment - RFB # 27-15 ADDENDUM #1 – ANSWERS TO VENDOR QUESTIONS

1. Is this RFB offering local vendor preference?

Answer: Please refer to 1.7 Award in the RFB language. *'It is the intent of the University to award this bid all to one bidder. The University reserves the right to conduct any tests it may deem advisable and to make all evaluations. The University reserves the right to reject any or all bids, in whole or in part and is not necessarily bound to accept the lowest bid if that bid is contrary to the best interests of the University. The University reserves the right to waive minor irregularities. Scholarships, donations, or gifts to the University will not be considered in the evaluation of bids. A bid may be rejected if it is in any way incomplete or irregular. When there are tie bids, there shall be a preference for "in-state bidders". When tie bids are either in-state or both out-of-state, the award will be made to the bid that arrives first at the Office of Strategic Procurement.'*

2. Are you tax exempt?

Answer: Yes the University of Maine System is tax exempt.

3. Is this going to be one order, one shipment?

<u>Answer</u>: Please refer to Appendix B and Exhibit 1 Table 1 for instructions on Required Equipment Receive Date. The earliest Required Equipment Receive Date is January 16, 2015 as shown in Exhibit 1 Table1. If the Bidder is able to supply all the equipment on that date noted in Exhibit 1 Table 1 than the order can be shipped in one shipment.

4. Is this RFB for equipment only, no installation required?

Answer: The RFB is for equipment only.