CLARIFICATIONS

The submission deadline is **extended to February 1, 2018 by EOD.**

QUESTIONS

- 1. Could you please offer a breakdown of the Campuses with a point of contact as well as the estimated number of outlets in the Dorms and how many outlets in common areas?
 - <u>ANSWER:</u> White the RFP process is going on there can be no direct contact with the campuses please see Section 1.2.2 of the RFP.
- 2. In Appendix E (page 31) you have the RFP listed as: Multi-Channel Video & High Speed Data Service for Higher Education. Could you please specify your High Speed Data Services that you are requesting and on what campus.
 - **ANSWER:** We have no High Speed Data Service needs, please ignore the reference.
- 3. Appendix E section 26 you make mention that our bid should also be able to be used at the Community College Systems of Maine and Maine Maritime. If that is the case could we also have a breakdown of the total number of Outlets on each campuses, the demark as well as the Point Of Contact that we could reference.
 - <u>ANSWER:</u> We have clarified the campuses that may engage based on the response provided. Other campuses and the two referenced entities are allowed to use the services for this solution should they desire to do so, at which time an amendment will be done to include them and to finalize pricing based on what is provided in this response.
 - White the RFP process is going on there can be no direct contact with the campuses please see Section 1.2.2 of the RFP.
- 4. Can you please provide a residential front door count for on campus dorm units for each campus requesting pricing? Each campus pricing is dependent upon the unit count described, not the residential student count.
 - ANSWER: Please review Sections 1.1.3 which indicates you should assume a 75% occupancy rate, as well as, the student estimates provided in Section 1.1.2 and the scope of work Section 1.1.4 which will settle on the details once an award is made and a campus chooses to participate.

5. Is the coax system owned by the university at each campus? (this includes cabling, taps, amplifiers, etc) If not, can the university identify who owns what?

ANSWER:

Please refer to the RFP Section 1.1.4 which provides a set of deliverables for the engagement to include; review, analysis existing service installation, etc. We have provided the information below that we have but it is limited to the campus noted.

<u>University of Maine Orono</u>: hybrid fiber/coax system owned by the university. <u>University of Maine Machias</u>: Arial plant along O'Brien Ave belongs to Spectrum, inside plant would be the property of the campus

6. On each campus, are all buildings connected back to a central point? Is this via coax, fiber, or both?

ANSWER:

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<u>University of Maine Orono</u>: yes all buildings connected back to a central point and both <u>University of Maine Machias</u>: no central point, all coax system.

7. Is there room at each campus for a headend rack in the data center? (or wherever the central distribution point is located)

ANSWER:

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<u>University of Maine Orono</u>: has room designated for a headend. University of Maine Machias: unknown

- 8. Can you please clarify what information is requested in the "extended price" column?

 ANSWER: Please review the definition provided in Appendix C related to Extended Cost.
- Pg 32 of the RFP states that the contract is for 5 years, however the excel sheet only requests pricing for years 1, 2, and 3. Can columns for years 4 and 5 be added?
 ANSWER: Columns added and revised spreadsheet is attached.

- 10. Is the "campus needs" column referring to common area TV's? Please clarify.
 ANSWER: Whatever services that are required and offered as part of the solution in the common areas for the campus.
- 11. Are the campuses connected via fiber or private network?

 ANSWER: Yes, the University provides its own data network facilities and connectivity among and within its campuses.
- 12. Are single mode fiber and or coaxial infrastructure drawings available for each site or collectively?

ANSWER:

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University of Maine Orono: yes

University of Maine Machias: none known

13. Is a door/outlet count per campus available?

ANSWER: Please review Sections 1.1.3 which indicates you should assume a 75% occupancy rate, as well as, the student estimates provided in Section 1.1.2 and the scope of work Section 1.1.4 which will settle on the details once an award is made and a campus chooses to participate

14. Is a physical site survey available at each location? This will aide in developing a review, analysis, and method of delivery & campus final plan per section 1.1.4.

ANSWER:

<u>University of Maine Orono</u>: yes <u>University of Maine Machias</u>: yes University of Southern Maine: yes

15. Is the existing CATV infrastructure at each campus owned by the school or the current provider?

ANSWER:

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16. Are there any other potential presentation dates available?

ANSWER: Presentation dates will be firmed up once the initial evaluation is completed.