

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL #2019-051 Pouring Rights RESPONSE ADDENDUM #09

DATE: August 15, 2019

QUESTIONS

1. Why is 2010 RFP volume report substantial higher, than today reported RPF volume @ the Orono campus? ANSWER: Vending has seen reduced demand as we increased our own Dining points of purchase over the last 10 years. (expanded Bear's Den, new Bear's Den Pub, BB Bites in Corbett, expanded library service, late night dining, etc.) In addition, over the last 10 years, students have been concerned with the proliferation of plastic bottles and have moved more toward refillable services and water stations, again reducing demand for vending services.

The University needs some additional time to respond to the following questions. Thank you for being patient:

- Could we have one calendar school year (2018/2019) of volume breakdown for the Orono campus / Bottle & CAN (Retail), Vending & Fountain, by pkg. (Coke is able to provide as is Pepsi)
- 2. Will vending services continue under existing contracts with the Business Enterprise Program (BEP)?
- 3. Does UMS plan to issue a separate RFP for vending services?
- 4. Will award of the RFP result in removal of vending machines currently in place operated by the Business Enterprise Program (BEP)pursuant to 26 M.R.S. §§ 1418-F(2) and 1418-G(5)?
- 5. If so, will the contract (resulting from award of the RFP) result in continuing income to the Business Enterprise Program for the purpose of providing blind persons with remunerative employment, enlarging the economic opportunities of blind persons and encouraging blind persons to become self-supporting?
- 6. When UMS enters into a contract as a result of this RFP award, how does UMS intend to fulfill its obligations under the federal Randolph-Sheppard Act and the state law requiring UMS to allow BEP to place vending machines in a public building where a vending facility operated by a manager would not be feasible?
- 7. Will award of the RFP result in removal of the current blind manager operating beverage and snack vending on the Eastern Maine Community College (EMCC) campus?
- 8. If not, will award of the RFP result in competition to the EMCC manager's vending, in violation of 26 M.R.S. § 1418-G(3)?