

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS #2023-022

External Evaluation Services for University of Maine at Presque Isle US Department of Education Title III Strengthening Institutions Program Grant RESPONSE ADDENDUM #01 September 21, 2022

QUESTIONS

1) Was there a budget minimum or maximum designated for evaluation in the original award? Is there an estimated budget for evaluation and reporting for Y3-Y5?

ANSWER: Yes, a budget was submitted for evaluation services to the Dept of Education with the application submission. Amounts higher than the approved line for professional/contractual services will require approval by the federal Program Officer.

For the second part of the question there is budget, but it is not in the best interest of the University to identify the amount.

2) The RFP requests assistance with evaluation of the Year 3 objectives (8, 9, 10, and 11 only) – What assistance (if any) will you need with measurement and reporting of Objectives 1-7? Can you share those objectives at this time?

ANSWER: During Year 3, our project only has the 4 objectives with associated performance measures. Objectives 1-7 were included in Years 1 and 2 of the project, which are aligned with and build into the Year 3 objectives.

3) Several of the objectives involve pre- and post- surveys of faculty. Have these materials already been developed, or would the evaluator be responsible for creating these measures?

ANSWER: Yes, pre- and post-surveys of faculty were developed and conducted during Year 3.

4) Can you explain your need for seeking out new or different external evaluator(s) for reporting Y3-Y5?

ANSWER: The University of Maine System is a public institution which requires a formal bid process for such work. Previously an annual RFP was issued, but now we are able to conduct a multi-year RFP for the evaluation services of our project.