

**Administrative Services**

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March 2, 2017

TO BIDDER:

**Transmitted herewith is an Invitation For Bid, #B760015, for internet services.** To submit a bid, please complete the form and return to the Texas A&M AgriLife Purchasing Department by the bid opening date and time. In the lower left hand corner of the sealed bid envelope, please show the bid invitation number and the bid opening date. Facsimile (979-458-1217) and email (bids@ag.tamu.edu) bids will be accepted if received prior to the bid opening date and time.

*Bids must be submitted on the Texas A&M AgriLife Purchasing Department's Invitation for Bid form. Please read the terms and conditions carefully. The bid signature page must be signed and dated to be considered. Please enter your company name/address and your State of Texas vendor identification number on page 1 of the Invitation for Bid. If this number is unavailable, enter your federal taxpayer identification number or your social security number. No invoice will be processed for payment if this information is unavailable. Bids will be opened at the time stated on the enclosed form. Bidders and/or their representative may attend the bid opening if desired. Please note: The bid opening will be held at 578 John Kimbrough Blvd. Room #419, College Station, Texas 77843. Paid visitor parking is located in the first row of Lot 97.*

After the bids have been evaluated, the vendor receiving a bid award from this solicitation will be issued a purchase order approved by the Agency.

**Mailing Address for Bids:**

**Texas A&M AgriLife Purchasing Department  
2147 TAMU  
College Station, TX 77843-2147**

**Physical Address for Bids: (for Fed Ex, UPS, hand delivery, etc.)**

**Texas A&M AgriLife Purchasing Department  
578 John Kimbrough Blvd., Room #419  
College Station, TX 77843**

If you would like additional information concerning our purchasing procedures, please contact:

Lindsay Weber, CTPM  
Buyer II  
Ph: 979-845-2898  
Email: [lrweber@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:lrweber@ag.tamu.edu)

# INVITATION FOR BID — RETURN SEALED BIDS TO:

03/02/2017

**BIDDER MUST SIGN BELOW**  
FAILURE TO SIGN WILL DISQUALIFY BID

TEXAS A&M AGRILIFE PURCHASING  
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PHONE: 979-847-5801  
FAX: 979-458-1217  
EMAIL: BIDS@AG.TAMU.EDU

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AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE

OPENING DATE: 03/15/2017 at 3:00PM (CST)

\_\_\_\_\_  
PRINT OR TYPE NAME

BID NO: B760015 BUYER: LRW

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TITLE DATE

**BY SIGNING, VENDOR AGREES TO COMPLY WITH ALL TERMS AND CONDITIONS WHICH ARE EITHER ATTACHED HERETO, MAY BE FAXED OR EMAILED UPON REQUEST, OR ARE AVAILABLE AT <http://agrillifeas.tamu.edu/library/pdf/forms/terms-conditions-bid.pdf>.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
COMPANY NAME

BY SIGNING, BIDDER CERTIFIES THAT IF A TEXAS ADDRESS IS SHOWN AS THE ADDRESS OF THE BIDDER, BIDDER QUALIFIES AS A TEXAS RESIDENT BIDDER AS DEFINED IN 34 TEXAS ADMINISTRATIVE CODE, RULE 20.32(68).

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ADDRESS

BID TO BE "F.O.B. DESTINATION FREIGHT PREPAID AND ALLOWED" UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED BELOW.

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CITY STATE ZIP

DESTINATION OF GOODS:

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PHONE FAX

TEXAS A&M AGRILIFE RESEARCH  
AGRILIFE RES STN- CHILLICOTHE  
1340 FM 39  
CHILLICOTHE TX 79225

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VENDOR ID NUMBER (SEE SECTION 1.8 OF TERMS & CONDITIONS)

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DUNS NUMBER (IF AVAILABLE)

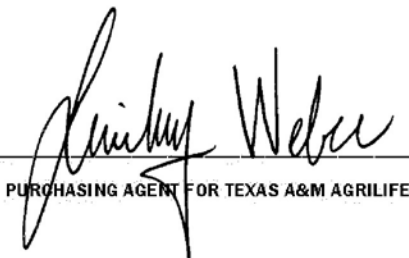
Item	Description	Quantity	UOM	Unit Price	Ext Price
1	<p>TERMS AND CONDITIONS: VENDOR AGREES TO COMPLY WITH ALL AGENCY TERMS AND CONDITIONS. THESE SUPERSEDE ANY OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS ISSUED BY THE VENDOR.</p> <p>GOVERNING LAW: ANY CONTRACT RESULTING FROM THIS BID SOLICITATION SHALL BE CONSTRUED AND GOVERNED BY THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF TEXAS.</p> <p>PAYMENT TERMS: NET 30 DAYS AFTER SERVICES ARE RENDERED OR RECEIPT OF CORRECT INVOICE, WHICHEVER IS LATER.</p> <p>PUBLIC INFORMATION: (A) THE VENDOR ACKNOWLEDGES THAT THE AGENCY IS OBLIGATED TO STRICTLY COMPLY WITH THE PUBLIC INFORMATION ACT, CHAPTER 552, TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, IN RESPONDING TO ANY REQUEST FOR PUBLIC INFORMATION PERTAINING TO THIS AGREEMENT, AS WELL AS ANY OTHER DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION REQUIRED BY APPLICABLE TEXAS LAW. (B) UPON THE AGENCY'S WRITTEN REQUEST, THE VENDOR WILL PROVIDE SPECIFIED PUBLIC INFORMATION EXCHANGED OR CREATED UNDER THIS AGREEMENT THAT IS NOT OTHERWISE EXCEPTED FROM DISCLOSURE UNDER CHAPTER 552, TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, TO THE AGENCY IN A NON-PROPRIETARY FORMAT ACCEPTABLE TO THE AGENCY. AS USED IN THIS PROVISION, "PUBLIC INFORMATION" HAS THE MEANING ASSIGNED IN SECTION 552.002, TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, BUT ONLY INCLUDES INFORMATION TO WHICH THE AGENCY HAS A RIGHT OF ACCESS.</p>				

**DELIVERY IN \_\_\_\_\_ DAYS**

**GRAND TOTAL: \_\_\_\_\_**

If claiming preference under 34 Texas Administrative Code, Rule 20.38, please complete section 1.13 of the terms and conditions and submit with signed bid response.

If claiming to be a TPASS certified Historically Underutilized Business (HUB), please specify:  
 BLK  HSP  W/O  A/P  AI

  
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 PURCHASING AGENT FOR TEXAS A&M AGRILIFE

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1	<p>(C) THE VENDOR ACKNOWLEDGES THAT THE AGENCY IS REQUIRED TO POST A COPY OF THE FULLY EXECUTED AGREEMENT ON ITS INTERNET WEBSITE IN COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 2261.253(A) (1), TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE.</p> <p>BEST VALUE CRITERIA: TEXAS A&amp;M AGRILIFE RESEARCH RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ACCEPT OR REJECT ANY OR ALL BIDS, TO WAIVE INFORMALITIES AND TECHNICALITIES, TO ACCEPT THE OFFER CONSIDERED MOST ADVANTAGEOUS AND AWARD THE BID BASED ON BEST VALUE CRITERIA. IN DETERMINING WHAT IS THE BEST VALUE TO THE AGENCY, THE AGENCY SHALL CONSIDER ANY OR ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. PURCHASE PRICE (MONTHLY RATE AND/OR TOTAL COST)</li> <li>2. MEDIA TYPE</li> <li>3. BANDWIDTH</li> <li>4. LENGTH OF CONTRACT TERM</li> <li>5. ROUTER</li> <li>6. THE REPUTATION OF THE VENDOR AND THE VENDOR'S GOODS OR SERVICES</li> <li>7. THE QUALITY OF THE VENDOR'S GOODS OR SERVICES</li> <li>8. THE EXTENT TO WHICH THE GOODS OR SERVICES MEET THE AGENCY'S NEEDS</li> <li>9. THE VENDOR'S PAST RELATIONSHIP WITH THE AGENCY</li> <li>10. THE TOTAL LONG-TERM COST TO THE AGENCY IN ACQUIRING THE VENDOR'S GOODS OR SERVICES</li> <li>11. THE LENGTH AND COVERAGE OF THE VENDOR'S WARRANTY</li> <li>12. THE DELIVERY/INSTALLATION TIME</li> <li>13. ANY OTHER RELEVANT FACTOR A PRIVATE BUSINESS MIGHT CONSIDER IN SELECTING A VENDOR</li> </ol> <p>QUESTIONS DEADLINE: ANY/ALL QUESTIONS SHOULD BE ADDRESSED IN WRITING TO: LINDSAY WEBER EMAIL..... LRWEBER@AG.TAMU.EDU FAX..... 979-458-1217 ALL QUESTIONS MUST BE RECEIVED ON OR BEFORE THURSDAY, MARCH 9, 2017, AT 3:00 P.M., CENTRAL TIME. WHEN DEEMED APPROPRIATE BY THE AGENCY, QUESTIONS WILL BE ANSWERED BY BID ADDENDUM.</p> <p>EXPORT CONTROL: BIDDER SHALL PROVIDE THE AGENCY WITH APPLICABLE EXPORT CONTROL CLASSIFICATION NUMBER (ECCN) OR CATEGORY (EAR OR ITAR) FOR ITEM(S), AND/OR INDICATE WHETHER THE ITEM(S) TO BE PURCHASED ARE EXPORT CONTROLLED.</p> <p>ECCN OR ITAR CATEGORY: _____</p> <p>INTERNET CONNECTION AT THE CHILLICOTHE RESEARCH FACILITY.</p>	1	LOT		

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	<p>CONNECTION DETAILS:            MEDIA - FIBER            HANDOFF - COPPER BETWEEN TELCO DEMARC &amp;                              ROUTER            BANDWITH - 10M, 20M, OR 30M            NUMBER OF IPs NEEDED - 7            ROUTER - CUSTOMER PROVIDED AND MANAGED                      ACCEPTABLE, VENDOR PROVIDED AND                      MANAGED PREFERRED            CONTRACT TERM - 3 TO 5 YEARS</p> <p>PRICING MUST BE PROVIDED ON THE ATTACHED            SPREADSHEET. BIDDERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO PRICE            MULTIPLE BANDWIDTH, ROUTER, AND CONTRACT TERM            COMBINATIONS. ADDITIONAL LINES MAY BE ADDED            TO THE SPREADSHEET TO ACCOMODATE ALL OPTIONS.            THE AGENCY WILL SELECT THE COMBINDATION            CONSIDERED TO BE THE BEST VALUE TO THE            AGENCY. SEE BELOW FOR BEST VALUE CRITERIA.</p> <p>**PLEASE INCLUDE ESTIMATED TIME AFTER RECEIPT            OF ORDER UNTIL SYSTEM WILL BE OPERATIONAL.</p>				

**INVITATION FOR BID #B760015**



Company:
Contact:
Address:
City, St, Zip:
Phone:
Fax:
Email:

**Service Address:** Texas A&M AgriLife Research - Chillicothe  
 1340 FM 39  
 Chillicothe, TX 79225

<b>Connection Criteria:</b>			
<b>Media -</b>	Fiber	<b>Router -</b>	Customer Provided and Managed acceptable Vendor Provided and Managed preferred
<b>Bandwidth -</b>	10, 20, or 30 megs acceptable	<b>Hand Off -</b>	Copper between Telco Demarc & router
<b>Number of IPs Needed -</b>	7	<b>Contract Term -</b>	3 to 5 years
<b>Installation -</b>	Include installation of any conduit necessary to bring fiber into the server room of the building		

Router (Vendor/Customer Provided)	Bandwidth (Megabytes)	Contract Term (years)	Installation/Upgrade Fee	Monthly Recurring Charges	Total Cost Over Life of Contract

**Vendor Comments/Notes:**

TERMS AND CONDITIONS: Vendor agrees to comply with all Agency terms and conditions. These supersede any other terms and conditions issued by the vendor.

GOVERNING LAW: Any contract resulting from this bid/quote solicitation shall be construed and governed by the laws of the State of Texas.

BIDDERS PLEASE NOTE: Texas A&M AgriLife Research reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids/quotes, to waive informalities and technicalities, to accept the offer considered most advantageous and award the bid/quote based on best value criteria. In determining what is the best value to the Agency, the Agency shall consider any or all of the following:

- 1) Purchase price (monthly rate and/or total cost)
- 2) Media type
- 3) Bandwidth
- 4) Length of contract term
- 5) The reputation of the vendor and the vendor's goods or services
- 6) The quality of the vendor's goods or services
- 7) The extent to which the goods or services meet the Agency's needs
- 8) The vendor's past relationship with the Agency
- 9) The total long-term cost to the Agency in acquiring the vendor's goods or services
- 10) The length and coverage of the vendor's warranty
- 11) The delivery/installation time
- 12) Any other relevant factor a private business might consider in selecting a vendor