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QUESTIONS AND RESPONSES # 5 SOLICITATION NO. Q0015020 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND CORRECTIONAL SERVICES SEXUAL OFFENDER TREATMENT SERVICES APRIL 13, 2016

Ladies and Gentlemen:

This List of Questions and Responses, question #55, is issued to clarify certain information contained in the above named IFB.

In most instances the submitted questions and the Department's responses merely serve to clarify the existing requirements of the IFB. Sometimes, however, in submitting questions potential Offerors may make statements or express interpretations of contract requirements that may be inconsistent with the Department's intent. To the extent that the Department recognizes such an incorrect interpretation, the provided answer will note that the interpretation is erroneous and either state that the question is moot once the correct interpretation is explained or provide the answer based upon the correct interpretation.

No provided answer to a question may in and of itself change any requirement of the IFB. If, based upon a submitted question, it is determined that any portion of the IFB should be changed, the actual change may only be implemented via a formal amendment to the IFB. In this situation, the answer provided will reference the amendment which contains the IFB change.

The statements and interpretations of contract requirements which are stated in the following questions of potential Offerors are not binding on the State, unless the State expressly amends the IFB. Nothing in the State's responses to these questions is to be construed as agreement to or acceptance by the State of any statement or interpretation on the part of the vendor asking the question as to what the contract does or does not require.

55. I have over the years used one office in PG county with every public transportation facility that serves and connect to both Counties to provide services to PG and Montgomery referred sexual offenders. Will I have to open an office in Montgomery under this Contract if I still want to Bid to provide services to sexual offenders in Montgomery County?

RESPONSE: Under Section 3.3.1 of the Invitation for Bids, the Contractor(s) shall have one or more offices where assessments and treatment services can be provided. The

office(s) shall be located in areas accessible by public transportation or shall not result in more than 30 miles of travel from the assigned offender reporting location. The Department will not be responsible for any office(s) costs. The reporting locations in each Jurisdiction are located on the DPSCS website:

http://www.dpscs.maryland.gov/locations/dpp_offices.shtml. (See also: Amendment #1 revising Section 3.3.3.)

Remember bids are due on April 26, 2016, no later than 11 AM. If there are any questions concerning this solicitation, please contact me via email at Rachel.Cruse@maryland.gov or call me at (410) 260-7430 as soon as possible.

Date Issued: 4/13/2016 By:

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