

METROPOLITAN PIER AND EXPOSITION AUTHORITY



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INVITATION FOR BIDS #2022-01-M
TELECOMMUNICATIONS SUPPLIES

ADDENDUM NO. (1)

March 8, 2022

This Addendum No. 1 consists of one (1) page and has the following information to be incorporated into the Invitation for Bids (IFB). Bidders must acknowledge receipt of this Addendum No. 1 in their IFB submittal in Required Form A, Bid Form.

Item #1: Bidders' questions and/or requests and the MPEA's responses are provided below.

Bidders' Question:	MPEA's Response:
<p>We are working diligently on your current bid however it is extremely difficult to provide any fixed pricing, as pricing is changing on a weekly basis with lead times extending up to 40 weeks as documented in the attached letter. If you have any ideas I am up to your suggestions.</p>	<p>Please provide fixed pricing as of bid due date (March 18th). If prices change prior to Board contract approval, the bidder will be responsible for notifying MPEA Procurement and providing necessary supporting documents, such as copies of manufacturer price increase announcement(s), as required and outlined in the form of agreement.</p>
<p>Will you accept "or equal" alternatives on this bid? I could not find specific language in the RFR. These items listed are COTS products. We would like to bid, just don't want to spend the time converting to a Black Box equivalent product if you will not accept equals.</p>	<p>Everything on the bid form can be of "or equal" alternative. However, our infrastructure is Leviton based. Our jacks, faceplates, patch panels and all our current stock is Leviton. While we prefer Leviton for uniformity, anything a supplier provides must work with and be completely interchangeable with Leviton products.</p>