



## Q&A Addendum #7

### Arkansas Research and Education Optical Network ARE-ON Optical Equipment Refresh RFP 666832

This document provides question and answer information pertaining to the above captioned RFP.

**REMINDER:** It is the Respondent's responsibility to thoroughly examine and read the entire RFP document and any appendices and addenda to this RFP.

**Posted March 1, 2018**

*Additional Questions from Vendors February 28, 2018*

**Question 84:** Regarding this comment in the RFP document:

Agencies must submit one (1) signed original, one (1) signed copy, and two (2) soft copies of their response (i.e. CD-ROM or USB Flash drive) labeled with the respondent's name and the Bid Number.

Please confirm that the signatures are required only in the following places:

RFP Document

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Standard Terms and Conditions (Signature Sheets) Document

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**Answer:** Correct. And be sure to complete the associated forms where applicable and/or through the accessible links.

**Question 85:** Please confirm if a digital signature can be used as the original signature on the printed copies.

**Answer:** Yes.

**Question 86:** The Invitation to Bid document contains a Standard Term and Condition in Section 5.3 that reads as follows:

A written purchase order or contract award mailed, or otherwise furnished, to the successful bidder within the time of acceptance specified in the Invitation for Bid results in a binding contract without further action by either party. The contract shall not be assignable by the vendor in whole or part without the written consent of the University.



There are any number of important commercial and contractual terms not addressed in this document. Our presumption is that a formal contract award will result in a new contract document being negotiated. Should the vendor provide a copy of their standard contract template as part of the RFP response? If not, how will this be addressed?

**Answer:** Correct, there will be opportunity for contract negotiations upon award. Please also refer to the RFP document, and specifically sections 1.5.7, 1.7.4, 1.20, and 1.24

**Question 87:** Are the Vendor(s) required to fill out the attached VPAT form? The form is limited in the relevance to the RFP so we want to make sure if we are required to fill this out.

**Answer:** Yes, this is a requirement.