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Request For Proposals Addendum

Addendum Number: 2

Extension of Proposal Due Date and Amendment to Question 18 Response

Date: Wednesday, September 30, 2026

RFP 51-CAT2RFSH-0127 [E-Rate CAT 2 Refresh], 52-CAT2PH2-0127 [E-Rate CAT 2 Phase 2], 2-CAT2PH3-0127 [E-Rate CAT 2 Phase 3]

To: All Prospective Vendors

This Addendum serves as formal notice of an extension to the proposal due date for the following solicitations:

RFP 51-CAT2RFSH-0127 – E-Rate CAT 2 Refresh

RFP 52-CAT2PH2-0127 – E-Rate CAT 2 Phase 2

RFP 2-CAT2PH3-0127 – E-Rate CAT 2 Phase 3

Addendum No. 1 was issued on September 23, 2026. Following its issuance, IDEA Public Schools received a follow-up question regarding IDEA's response to Question 18.

To provide prospective respondents with adequate time to review and consider the additional clarification provided in this Addendum, the proposal due date for the solicitations listed above is hereby extended.

Revised Proposal Due Date: Friday, November 13, 2026, at 2:00 P.M. CST

All other terms, conditions, and requirements of the solicitations remain unchanged unless otherwise modified by this Addendum.

RFP/RFQ Timeline (Actual)			
RFP/RFQ Issued	08/26/26		
Pre-Proposal Conference	09/11/26	@	10:30 AM CST
	09/15/26	@	
Respondent Question Cut-Off Date			3:00 PM CST
Addendum No. 1 Issue Date	09/23/26		



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Addendum No. 2 Issue Date

9/30/2026

Proposal Due Date

11/13/26

@

2:00 PM CST

Evaluation Period

11/30/26

to

12/11/26

Board Meeting

01/12/27

The following questions were sent in response to the referenced solicitation for further clarification. Questions and answers are listed below.

Question 18: What is the current use case for ThousandEyes? What data is IPS currently receiving, and how are they using it?

Previous Answer: ThousandEyes is not a solicited product or service under this RFP and is not required to provide a responsive proposal. Information regarding ThousandEyes or its current utilization is outside the scope of this solicitation.

IDEA is issuing this clarification to its response to Question 18 in Addendum No. 1 for the benefit of all prospective respondents. This clarification does not change the scope, specifications, or evaluation criteria of the RFP. The proposal due date is revised as stated herein.

Attachment K includes line item TE-EMBEDDED-T (Cisco ThousandEyes Enterprise Agent IBN Embedded). This line item is a hardware configuration option that lets the specified switching equipment host an embedded ThousandEyes agent. IDEA has an existing ThousandEyes subscription, procured separately from this RFP, which it uses to monitor network performance and traffic flow.

Respondents shall observe the following:

1. Respondents proposing the specified equipment shall include line item TE-EMBEDDED-T as shown in Attachment K. List it as a separate line item with unit and extended pricing. If the line item carries no cost, list it at \$0.00.
2. Respondents shall not include ThousandEyes subscriptions, licenses, cloud services, or agent entitlements in their pricing. IDEA will provide all ThousandEyes licensing under its existing subscription. These items are not solicited under this RFP, and IDEA will not request E-Rate support for them under this solicitation.



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3. Respondents proposing equivalent equipment from another manufacturer are not required to propose ThousandEyes or an equivalent embedded monitoring agent. Leaving this line item out of an equivalent proposal will not, by itself, make a proposal non-responsive.
4. Respondents should identify any proposed line item they believe is ineligible or only partially eligible for E-Rate support. IDEA will cost-allocate ineligible components in accordance with USAC program rules. Final eligibility determinations rest with USAC.

The response to Question 18 in Addendum No. 1 is amended and superseded by the clarification provided in this Addendum.

Except as expressly modified by this Addendum, all other terms, conditions, specifications, requirements, and deadlines of the referenced solicitations remain unchanged and in full force and effect.

Attachments: None.

END OF ADDENDUM