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Follow up to Submission of Objections to **REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP) PRDE-OSIATD-FY2018-001**

The following is to formally present WF Computer Systems objections to the continuation of REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP) PRDE-OSIATD-FY2018-001.

The above referenced RFP was published and presented for publication on June 13, 2018, in which the purpose as stated in the RFP was to select proposals in accordance with the Technology Plan approved by the US Department of Education on May 1st, 2015.

The RFP established a timeline for the upcoming events, and were originally presented:

Publication and Release of RFP -June 13, 2018
Deadline for submitting RFP Questions -10am June 22, 2018
Pre-Proposal Proposer Conference –10am -June 28, 2018
Deadline for Submitting Letters of Intent -12noon July, 5, 2018
Deadline for Submitting Proposals -12noon, July 12, 2018
Selection of 3 Proposer Finalists and Presentations and Product Demonstrations by Finalists

It was included in the RFP that late proposals will not be accepted.

WF Computer Services submitted questions related to the RFP according to the information gathered at the original RFP and was present at the Pre-Proposal Proposer Conference, along with several other interested companies. At the end of that meeting, there were more than 20 pages of answers to questions posted by several of the attendants, and it was clearly stated that no extensions would be granted under no circumstances to any of the dates stated and that no changes would be made to the RFP. At that meeting, on at least 3 occasions, the PRDE stated that it did not intend to extend the July 12, deadline. On July 5, 2018, WF Computer presented its letter of intent in accordance with the RFP, and received confirmation by email.

On July, 6, there were some changes, by the PRDE. Addendum number 1, changing several aspects of the RFP, posted at 4:51pm, addendum 3, posted at 4:19pm, regarding the extension of time for the RFP submittal. This is significant, since the deadline passed on people who felt that there was not enough time for complying with the July 12, 2018 date that was repeatedly informed as not changeable.

There were other changes made to the proposal, as stated that has the effect of changing all of the financial requirements that are mandatory for the RFP. We refer to Addendums 2 and 4. Any changes made have an economic impact on the interested parties that need financial procedures that have to be followed Not only on the

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economical aspect, but in the logistical aspect made by that change. . Since the PRDE, already granted an extension as requested by one of the proposers, WF contends, that it would be beneficial to halt this process until the objections presented and received by the PRDE, would be discussed, or at the very least amended and with a longer period of time to allow all proposers a fair amount of time to compete.

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Enclosures