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ADDENDUM 1

To: All Interested Proposers

From: Linda Gonzalez, Inventory Bid Technician

Date: January 29, 2009

Subject: RFP # 09-005, (RFP) Uninterrupted Power System Preventive Maintenance Services for the Detention Facility

The Purchasing Department received questions relating to the above referenced proposal; the response to the following question:

Both UPS and Battery Manufacturers do not recommend partial battery replacements as a permanent solution. New batteries take on the characteristics of the old batteries and shorten the life of the newer batteries. In addition to the shortened life expectancy the string has batteries that are as old as 6 years. Typical life expectancy is 2-5 years.

1. Is the county aware of the Manufacturers preferred recommendation of only temporarily patching a string and not doing it as a permanent solution?

Yes, the County is aware of the manufacturer's recommendations.

2. Is the 10% replacement the only battery replacement that the county expects it will need during the term of the service agreement?

No, the replacement of up to 10% of batteries, per battery string, per service year, is not intended to be the only battery replacement procedure.

3. Is the county aware that they may need to have more than the 10% replaced and is it aware that they would have to pay for the additional replacements as needed?

Yes, the county is aware of the battery maintenance requirements and the associated operating expenditures.