

CITY OF OWOSSO
QUESTION AND ANSWER REQUESTS FOR AMR FIXED NETWORK

Questions and discussion items:

1. Is there data that can help with the Propagation Study, such as:
 - Address list for accounts. **Yes. Available in hard copy at this time, and for pick up.**
 - Longitude / Latitude for accounts. **None available**
 - Territory outline from a mapping software. **Only in the Bid Spec**
 - Any other propagation work that has been done in the past. **Yes, but proprietary**
The city will provide the same information as previously provided to Michigan Meter in 2015. This would be fair and reasonable.

2. Are all meters located inside the home? **No. Some are located in meter pits and others are located in crawl spaces.**

3. It would be advisable to include a line item for ANNUAL SYSTEM MAINTENANCE AND SOFTWARE UPGRADES YEARS 1 – 10. **This is acceptable.**

4. As result of the NO LEAD RULE promulgated by the USEPA and MDEQ for installation fittings and components, and having to replace meter horns not meeting those requirements, adding a line item for these additional is advisable. **This is acceptable. Please note that the City has no idea how many may be required for replacement.**

5. Will the furnish and install of the water meters under this RFP, be considered to be of a tangible personal property nature, or real property nature? **REAL PROPERTY**

6. Are there any meters located outdoors? If so how many?
 - **1,088 Pit Meters, of which 140 are radio read**
 - **Crawl space meters (number of) are not unknown. Estimate 400 - 500**
 - Will the contractor be required to install any new meter horns? **YES**, Or replace existing meter horns? **YES.**
 - Will the contractor be required to run wire at each location? **YES**
 - Is prevailing wage required? **NO**

7. Would the city consider providing the new encoder registers for the existing Neptune meters, to retrofit the existing meters? **No, as the city does not have the manpower available to dedicate for a reasonably quick turn-around.This Q&A was previously asked and was misunderstood. The answer to the above question should be: YES**