

SUNSHINE COAST REGIONAL DISTRICT

Question and Answers 1 Request for Quote No. 2511701 Procurement of Rack Server

Date: April 22, 2025

Item No.1

Question: Could you please confirm the type of workloads that will be running on this machine? Additionally, kindly confirm whether hardware RAID is required for this setup.

Answer: Virtual Desktop (VDI) workloads. Hardware raid is not required.

Item No.2

Question: Under point b) You mention needing the server to support a minimum of 3x A16 GPUs – are you looking for us to include those GPUs in the BOM, or is this something that you will procure and install yourselves at a later date and just need to ensure it will be supported? Additionally, is there a max number of GPUs as well that we need to take into consideration.

Answer: We will be procuring the GPUs separately, quoted server(s) must be on the NVIDIA compatibility list for supporting a minimum of 3x A16 GPUs, as specified in original RFQ.

Item No.3

Question: Regarding the fine print about the warranty – are you looking for 3YR NBD, 3YR 24x7x4hr, 5YR NBD & 5YR 24x7x4hr costs to be broken out as separate line items?

Answer: Such a response would be acceptable. We are looking for proponents to provide an itemized list of warranty options, with individual pricing. We do not have a specific SLA in mind, we want to see the options.

Item No.4

Question: The requested AMD EPYC 9754 has 128C physical core / 256 Threads, not 64/128.

Could you please confirm which one you would like to proceed with?

Answer: Please see Amendment No.2.

Item No.5

Question: Could you extend the closing date?

Answer: Please see Amendment No.1.

Item No.6

Question: Can we provide multiple options for server?

Answer: You may provide multiple options, each with their own clearly indicated pricing; only options which meet or exceed the specification will be considered.

Item No.7

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Question: Please confirm that neither O/S not VMWare are required.

Answer: Confirmed. No OS, or other software is required.

Item No.8

Question: The link to NVIDIA Qualified System Catalog provided under Description b) includes both "Qualified" and "NVIDIA-Certified" servers. Please confirm if the server must be "NVIDIA-Certified" or "Qualified".

Answer: "Qualified" is sufficient.