

October 14, 2026

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATION (RFQ)
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES
UNDERGROUND UTILITY LOCATING SERVICES

ADDENDUM NO. 2

All Consultants submitting under the Request for Qualification/Proposal (RFQ) for the referenced procurement shall read and take note of this Addendum. The Documents for this procurement are hereby revised and/or clarified according to this Addendum.

Acknowledgment of RFQ Addendum: The acknowledgment attached to this Addendum is to be signed and attached with the Offeror's submittal.

Tawanda Stamps
Director of Procurement
ALCOSAN

Consultant Acknowledgement

Date

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QUESTIONS

The following questions were submitted via email.

1. **Local office location and timing.** The RFQ identifies an office within Allegheny County, while the meeting presentation references the ten-county region. Which geographic criterion applies? Can this criterion be satisfied through a documented commitment to establish an operating office and equipment-storage location before service commencement, supported by a local staffing and mobilization plan, or must the office exist when qualifications are submitted?
 - a. The 10-county geographic criterion applies.
 - b. No. This criterion is fully satisfied by having a local office as defined. ALCOSAN will consider all responses and evaluate accordingly.
2. **Diversity Participation.** Please confirm whether an active NMSDC MBE certification is accepted and how direct performance as an MBE prime would count toward the stated MBE/WBE participation goal.
 - a. Yes, we accept NMSDC certification. Direct performance as an MBE prime counts toward the stated participation goal.

For this routine locating scope, what meaningful SDVOSB participation or teaming arrangement does ALCOSAN expect firms to demonstrate at the qualifications stage?

- b. The Prime Consultant will need to determine any potential teaming with subconsultants.
3. **GIS/KMZ map-and-measurement methodology.** We propose reviewing ALCOSAN-provided GIS/KMZ maps and records, verifying visible manholes and other reference points, and using field measurements to establish and mark sewer alignment. KMZ format is preferred because it can be readily imported into DigTix. Where records and field conditions do not support an accurate location, we would document the discrepancy and coordinate further investigation with ALCOSAN. Is this approach acceptable for routine sewer mark-outs? Are EM locating,

sonde/camera tracing or GPR required routinely, or only under specified circumstances?

- a. The above-described routine is not acceptable, because KMZ file format is not and will not be used for geospatial data exchange by the Authority. The KMZ format does not preserve all attributes and metadata, making it inferior to Shapefile (.shp) or Esri standard file formats (.gdb). Regarding the technology used for locating: the Consultant shall use professional judgement to determine the necessary equipment used to establish field marking, as the Authority will not specify what method is required per individual ticket.

4. **Available records and field conditions.** What GIS/KMZ/as-built information will be provided, including sewer alignment, measured offsets, manhole locations, pipe materials and depths? Please also clarify whether routine field locating includes opening manholes, providing traffic control or entering confined spaces. Will shortlisted firms be able to review representative records and tickets before preparing their technical and pricing proposals?

- a. ALCOSAN will provide access to our web map where all available information for our infrastructure will be accessible. All available drawings including as-built records, will also be made available to the successful bidder. Please note that municipal facilities that recently transferred to ALCOSAN will most likely have no available record drawings or as-built information.
- b. The successful proposer may have to open manholes and enter confined spaces to confirm ALCOSAN owned assets.
- c. Yes, traffic controls will be required where applicable to ensure the safety of team members while field locating and marking ALCOSAN owned facilities.

5. **DigTix compatibility.** Please confirm that ALCOSAN uses this UtiliSphere platform and that we may use DigTix as the compatible ticket-management system permitted by the RFQ. Please identify any ALCOSAN-specific interface, reporting or acceptance requirements. We can also provide ALCOSAN access to ticket status, photographs and locator notes through DigTix.

- a. Yes, ALCOSAN uses the web-based UtiliSphere platform, and it allows for automated reporting of various statistics. The DigTix platform shall not be used in place of UtiliSphere. If there are further questions regarding DigTix integration, or integration of other similar or competing platforms, more details will need to be shared with the Authority for an appropriate answer to be provided.

6. Please confirm the corrected procurement schedule, as several award and notice-

to-proceed dates in the presentation precede the current qualifications deadline.

- a. Procurement Schedule—Correct the following dates in the Power Point to read:

Contract Award: February 2027

Negotiate and Award Fee: March 2027

Issue Notice to Proceed: July 2027

7. Please also confirm whether the subsequent RFP will establish the billing categories, footage units and evaluation quantities needed for firms to develop comparable pricing.
 - a. Yes.