



**ADDENDUM NUMBER ONE**  
(Addendum to RFP)  
CCA RFP# ARENA1CNS-2  
**CONVERGED NETWORK SYSTEM Provision and/or Management**  
**The Classic Center Arena**  
**Athens, Georgia**

**Date: May 10, 2022**

**From: Richard Sawyer, CCA Project Procurement Director**

**To: Potential Respondents**

This Addendum forms a part of the **Request for Proposals No. ARENA1CNS-2** and modifies the RFP as described below. Official changes and clarifications are underlined. **This Addendum consists of four (4) pages.**

**A. The CCA IS PROVIDING ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS and REQUESTS FOR CLARIFICATIONS RECEIVED. (CCA Official Answers are underlined, below):**

1. Is it CCA's intention to simply install equipment on a 1-to-1 basis with suggested solutions (not to include design to validate hot/cold areas in the existing or suggested design)? Yes
2. The way we've interpreted the CCA appears that cable drops and infrastructure runs will already be complete (or being completed) – is the desired service simply to provide equipment without validating cabling, cable runs, or closet designs? Yes
3. The floorplans suggest that there is little to no permanent office space in the new facility. Is this correct? Currently, office space is not in the project, but could be added in the future
4. Or do you plan to share the existing internet connection with the existing Classic Center? Or will there be a new Internet connection terminated directly in the new facility? We plan to share the internet connection
5. What is the planned bandwidth of the Internet connection serving this new facility? Current plan is 5 Gb
6. Are regular Internet bandwidth capacity upgrades planned for the future? Have not planned for this yet

7. Will that other (low voltage) contractor also provide the necessary wire and fiber jumpers? **Yes**
8. Will all racks and cabinets have sufficient space—height and depth—for the required 48-port switches? **Yes**
9. The existing firewall is a SonicWall. If the new facility is to have its own separate firewall, Is the Classic Center open to alternatives to SonicWall for the new firewall in the new facility? **Yes, we are open to alternatives, prefer single firewall for entire facility**
10. If so, do you have any firewall sizing guidelines, or should we size the new firewall to have equivalent capacity to the existing SonicWall NSA 4600 in the existing Classic Center? **We would like you to provide sizing recommendation**
11. Will the new firewall (and the new Internet connection, if that is connected directly into the new facility) be located in the main IDF? **Would prefer firewall to be in the existing main building internet service demarc room located in the adjacent Foundry building with fiber connection to Arena IDF**
12. Are there any other networked devices like servers, caching, controllers for environmental systems, or storage for IP cameras to be located in the main IDF? Or are there only the four switches (and perhaps also the new firewall)? **Assume there are possible adjacent devices but a dedicated rack/space for these.**
13. Is the expectation that the users of this conference facility will only be offered Internet service? Or will they be offered services that are based on local servers housed in the new facility or in the existing Classic Center facility? **internet service only**
14. Do you need to provide wireless service to patrons outside of the arena? Or, put another way, do you need to install access points on the outside of the new facility? **suggest service outside box office near ticketing.**
15. We did not count the seats in the floor plans of the auditorium of the new facility. Please tell us the designed number of seats. **Planned seating capacity is 5500 permanent seats with a maximum seating capacity of 8500 for center stage concerts with floor seats.**
16. Your spreadsheet seems to indicate that you need a total of 165 wireless access points. Is this correct? If it is, how did you arrive at that number? **Yes. The successful proposer will be expected to confirm the original M.E. Engineering design numbers/accuracy.**
17. Your RFP calls for a total of twenty-eight 48-port switches to serve a total of 933 switch ports, but the totals in the DATA segment of your spreadsheet show different totals. Please explain. **Please use the RFP totals (48 and 933) as proposal basis.**
18. Do you have any requirements for switch stacking? Is stacking at 10 GBPS Ethernet adequate, or do you need higher-capacity switch stacking, for some reason? **10 GBPS is adequate**
19. Are all switches to provide gigabit Ethernet ports to downstream devices? Or does the Center need any higher-speed (2.5, 5, or 10 gigabit) Ethernet ports to make higher-capacity connections to the access points? **Gigabit is adequate**
20. Do you know how many of the switch ports—besides the ports dedicated to access point connection and powering—need to support PoE devices like IP cameras and IP phones? **Prefer all ports to support PoE**
21. What is the required data rate for IDF-to-IDF connections? Is that 10 GBPS Ethernet? **Yes**

22. What is the network architecture? Is it seven subsidiary wiring closets all connected directly to the Main IDF (a network star architecture)? **Yes**
23. We here assume that fiber will be used to connect the wiring closets together. If it is, what type of fiber will that be? Single mode or multimode? If the latter, will that be OM3? **Single mode**
24. You do not specify any specific switch capability. Most independent networks have at least one Layer 3 (core) switch to do independent routing of the different network segments. Or do you intend to do the Layer 3 routing in the firewall? **Prefer layer 3 switches**
25. Will this new network be connected to the existing Classic Center network? If so, how will that connection be made? **Yes, fiber connection back to main Foundry Building IT Room**
26. Confirm that your planned Internet circuit capacity will be 5 GBPS. Is the internet circuit planned to stay at no more than 5 GBPS for the next five to ten years, or might it grow larger? **5Gb is the initial planned circuit, it could be increase later if determined to be necessary**
27. What is the current IT staffing level at the Classic Center. How many are dedicated to network maintenance and management? Or if staff dedicated to network maintenance and management, how many people work on the existing network? **Currently have 1 dedicated IT Manager on staff and utilize IT contractors in some instances.**
28. How many Ruckus access points are installed in the Classic Center now? What wireless version/standard do they adhere to? **Currently have 61 APs**
29. You are specific about the number of switched ports you need in each wiring closet. Do you have any such requirements for wireless access points? **All numbers are subject to confirmation and development.**
30. What network management systems do you use to manage the HPE switches and the Ruckus access points now? **We have a Ruckus Virtual Smartzone Controller to manage Wi-Fi and some Ruckus switches. HPE switches are currently managed individually.**
31. Can we have clarification on the meaning of the abbreviated words on Attachment B (Device Counts – Master Tech) tab? (Concerning the Spreadsheet)- Specifically what are the device type listed on row 9 columns W,X,Y,Z,AA,AB. (Does CAM mean Camera, etc..?) Also, what are the devices in the MISC column? What type of cameras, and are they looking for the whole system? recorder? hard drives? etc? **These items are not all relevant to the scope or the required responses to the CNS, however, will be addressed with the successful respondent(s) to the extent necessary.**
32. What are their switch speed requirements (10gb vs 1gb)? **1Gb minimum, prefer 10Gb to core**
33. Do all the switches need to be POE and if not then how many do need POE? **All switches need to be PoE**
34. Do you plan to have internet access for 8k (WiFi) people in the arena? If yes, then how much internet bandwidth would you need? **We will work with CNS Vendor to determine bandwidth**

35. Can Classic Center share any data on future booked events at Classic Arena? Like calendar or other with names of events? **We anticipate hosting an 125 events a year, comprising of sports events, concerts, conventions and conferences. We will have a professional hockey tenant that will play their 30-game home schedule in the Arena. We currently have 90 event days booked in the first full year of the new Arena.**
36. Please provide Arena Design files to the extent possible. **Please see the blow Dropbox link:**

**<https://www.dropbox.com/sh/3yaojsx2l4nod89/AAByvAlYeXWu2bCvqwVmgyYQa?dl=0>**

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