

**APPENDIX D**

**Acknowledgment of Amendments**

***Request for Information (Q&A)***

**Micro-credentialing Program PVL**

**Amendment Number 1**

**Tuesday, September 23, 2025**

1. **Question**: Is there a specific form to write the Plan of Action on?  Should any of the forms/Gateways be used from the original bid call?

**Answer**: There is no specific form to write the Plan of Action.

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1. **Question**: Do we submit materials for each HQIM we would like to be recognized for within the list?

**Answer**: Yes, include examples of how your service will support instructional practices encouraged by the HQIM (e.g., use of embedded formative assessments, scaffolding, differentiation).

1. **Question**: Do we need to submit materials for each HQIM we would like to be featured if we are approved?

**Answer**: Yes, include examples of how your service will support instructional practices encouraged by the HQIM (e.g., use of embedded formative assessments, scaffolding, differentiation).

1. **Question**: Third, it mentioned video links in the RFP. We had videos for the initial RFP for this that we can use for this one as well. How do we need to attach those within our submission? Will links be okay within the submission?

**Answer**:

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1. **Question**: I am inquiring to learn how to register for the Pre-Qualification Conference scheduled for tomorrow, September 17th at 2:00 pm.  Could you please advise how I (and my colleagues) register for this conference?

**Answer**: The link included on page 8 links directly to the virtual conference.

1. **Question**: Is there a preferred **form or template** for these sections that we may have overlooked?

**Answer**: The required forms associated with the Micro-credentialing Program PVL are found in the appendix section of the solicitation.

1. **Question**: Should we use the **bid forms and Gateway structures** from the original bid call as the submission format, or adapt them into our own documents with the required components?

**Answer**: There is no specific form to write the Plan of Action. The Plan of Action must encompass all information found in the scope of work.

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1. **Question**: Regarding the **micro-credentialing requirement**, the documentation references completion “within three months of hire.” Could you confirm whether this means within three months of **vendor approval**, within three months of **submission**, or within three months of an individual developer being **hired by the vendor**?

**Answer**: It is the Mississippi Department of Education’s intent to micro-credential all new hires prior to deploying them to school districts. The MDE will have three months to micro-credential these individuals.

1. **Question**: In the section on **Knowledge of Current State Curriculum and HQIM Standards**, the requirement asks if vendors train on *state-approved guidance documents or frameworks that clarify implementation*. Could you clarify what specific documents or frameworks this is referring to?

**Answer**: The specific documents or frameworks consist of: Mississippi College and Career Readiness Standards, and related MDE instructional guidance documents.

1. **Question**: As a potential vendor working to comply with PVL requirements, we are seeking guidance on the MDE Micro-Credential Program. Could you please provide:

* The date(s) of the next Micro-Credential training session(s)

**Answer**: To be determined

* Instructions or a link to complete registration

**Answer**: To be determined

* Any associated deadlines

**Answer**: To be determined

* Whether there is a cost for participation (and, if so, the amount and payment process)

**Answer**: There is no cost associated for participation.

* The expected time commitment (hours/days)

**Answer**: To be determined

* Whether the training is delivered live (synchronous) or self-paced (asynchronous)

**Answer**: To be determined

In addition, could you let me know how to register for the **MDE Pre-Qualification Workshop** scheduled for **Wednesday, September 17, 2025, at 2:00 p.m. CST**?

**Answer**: The link included on page 8 links directly to the virtual conference.

1. Questions and Answers

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5.2 Questions and Answers **Correction**

Questions must be submitted to the MDE Materials Matter portal [IMPL@mdek12.org](mailto:IMPL@mdek12.org) and must be received no later than **Friday, September 19, 2025, by 5:00 PM CST**, to ensure a response by the MDE. Responses to questions will be posted to the MDE website at [No-Cost Contract Bid Opportunities – Compliance](https://mdek12.org/compliance/no-cost-contract-bid-opportunities/?swpmtx=8eb09114ad6d43954c39303cc7156e54&swpmtxnonce=6e29e22363) as an amendment to the solicitation on **Tuesday, September 23, 2025**. Questions received **after** **the deadline** shall not be considered. It is the Offeror’s sole responsibility to regularly monitor the website for amendments and/or announcements concerning this solicitation.

1. 6.6 Important Tentative Dates

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**6.6 Important Tentative Dates Correction**

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| **August 29, 2025**  **September 5,2025** | Request for Qualification advertise dates |
| **September 17, 2025, at 2:00** | Pre-Qualification Conference |
| **September 19, 2025** | Deadline to submit questions and request for clarification |
| **September 23, 2025** | Responses to questions and request for clarification posted |
| **October 1, 2025** | Qualification submission deadline by 2:00 PM CST |
| **October 7, 2025** | Anticipated Date of the Notice of Intent to Award |
| **December 18, 2025** | State Board of Education (SBE) Meeting |
| **After SBE Date** | PVL effective date |

1. 6.4 Qualification Submission Period

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**6.4 Qualification Submission Period Correction**

A signed qualification packet shall be electronically submitted via [IMPL@mdek12.org](mailto:IMPL@mdek12.org) no later than Wednesday, **October 1, 2025, by 2:00 PM Central Standard Time (CST****).** Offeror shall allow at least **72 hours** in advance of the due date to consider unforeseen technical issues. Qualifications received after the time designated in the solicitation shall be considered late and shall not be considered for an award.

*The email subject line and electronic document shall identify the name of the solicitation and the name of the entity/individual submitting the response.**Any deviation from these instructions may result in disqualification of the response qualification and shall not be considered for an award.*

**Example Format for Subject Line: Education Teacher Training by Joe Blow Inc (DO NOT UNDERSCORE or INSERT SYMBOLS)**

**OR**

**Shipping instructions** are provided below:

An original signed qualification packet with number (2) copies shall be shipped/mailed and received in a sealed envelope at the MDE no later than **Wednesday, October 1, 2025, by 2:00 PM Central Standard Time (CST).**

## **Amendment Number One**

**NOTE:** *This amendment one is hereby made a part of the Mississippi Department of Education’s Request for Proposals/Applications/Qualifications/Invitation for Bid. The Vendor acknowledges receipt of said amendment and is made aware of the changes contained therein. By signing this form, the Offeror accepts the changes as part of the contract requirement.*

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