

ADDENDUM 1

RFP 473-21-00006

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR A FINANCIAL AUDIT OF THE TEXAS UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUND AND INTERNAL CONTROL AUDIT OF THE TEXAS UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUND ADMINISTRATOR

Introductory Note:

The Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUCT or Commission) is issuing a Request for Proposals (RFP) for a financial audit of the Texas Universal Service Fund (TUSF) and an audit of the internal controls of the fund administrator. The contractor will issue a final report to the PUCT as described in Attachment A.

The current TUSF administrator is Solix, Inc. A copy of the current Texas Universal Service Fund Administrator contract can be found on the PUCT's website at:

<http://www.puc.texas.gov/agency/resources/reports/Contracts.aspx>

In 1987, the Texas Legislature required the PUCT to adopt and enforce rules requiring local exchange companies to establish a universal service fund. Among other responsibilities, the fund reimburses the telecommunications carrier that provides the statewide relay program for the deaf and hard of hearing; reimburses telecommunications carriers that provide lifeline service; and finances a specialized telecommunications assistance program for deaf and hard of hearing individuals. The statute establishing the TUSF and directing the PUCT to administer the fund is Texas Utilities Code, Chapter 56. You can find a copy at:

<https://statutes.capitol.texas.gov/DOCS/UT/htm/UT.56.htm>. PUCT rules concerning the fund are located in the PUCT's Substantive Rules (Title 16 of the Texas Administrative Code), Chapter 26, Subchapter P. You can find a copy of the Substantive Rules at <https://www.puc.texas.gov/agency/rulesnlaws/subrules/telecom/Telecom.aspx>

Questions and Answers (RED):

1. *we would like access to the Audited Financial Statements as of and for the year ended August 31, 2020 as well as the SOC 1 Report on the TUSF Administrator as of and for the year end August 31, 2020.*

Answer

The Audited Financial Statements as well as the SOC 1 Report can be found at the attached link [52039_2_1159044.PDF \(texas.gov\)](#).