

Employer Reporting Application (with BPMS Implementation)
Questions & Answers No. 1
September 13, 2013

1. Will the optional “Get to Know You” conference be recorded and available to others to listen to?
Can we get the presentation slides?

Yes, the conference was recorded. The slides and a link to the recording are available on the DRS Website at <http://www.drs.wa.gov/rfp/> and on the state’s WEBS system at <https://fortress.wa.gov/ga/webs/>.

2. Can you provide the names and roles of attendees for the “Get to Know You Conference”? People in the room and on the phone?

DRS does not have a complete list of all conference participants. However, the following is a list of participants representing Washington State agencies:

Representing the Department of Retirement Systems

Rose Bossio, Project Manager for Employer Reporting Application (ERA) development

Jennifer Freeze, ERA Business Systems Analyst

Sue Gordon, Web & Client Services, Procurement Project Manager

[Lisa Horne, ERA Business Systems Analyst](#)

Chris Lamb, Assistant Director of Information Services, CIO, ERA Executive Sponsor

Shawn Merchant, Assistant Director for Policy and Strategic Initiatives, ERA Project Director

Rachel Nesse, ERA Organizational Change and Communications Manager

Mike Ricchio, Assistant Director for Administrative Services, ERA Executive Sponsor

Renee Scott, Administrative Assistant

Jilene Siegel, RFP Coordinator

Representing other Washington State agencies

Sarah Blocki, Office of the Attorney General

Jim Hammond, Office of the Chief Information Officer

Mark Lyon, Office of the Attorney General

3. With the April time frame for awarding the contract, and legislative session ending at about the same time, will DRS be expecting any additional funding for this project?

At this time, DRS does not expect to receive additional legislative funding for this project.

4. Can a vendor bid as a part of a consortium?

Yes. DRS desires to enter a contractual relationship with the owner of the BPMS software. The software owner must be the bidder for the proposal. A bidder may propose additional partners (subcontractors) for the project.

5. Will the solution be managed by the state's Consolidated Technology Services (CTS) agency, or sit at CTS and be managed by the vendor or vendor partner?

Consolidated Technology Services (CTS) will host the solution. No decision regarding management of the solution will be made until after all qualifying proposals are evaluated.