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RFP2014-12 Cable Television Ouestions & Answers:

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- Who owns the existing CATV distribution system?
 Comcast owns the amplifiers & taps/ UNA owns cabling
- 2. Does the existing CATV distribution system have a single point of signal insertion that facilitates CATV signal distribution to all of the buildings receiving CATV signal on campus? If yes, what is this signal insertion location? A: Yes; Outside of Stephens Hall
- 3. Please identify a building/facility capable of supporting satellite and over the air antennas and satellite and over the air processing equipment. This facility should have a flat roof with a clear view if the west sky and a climate controlled room with 60-80 square feet for equipment racks, Internet access and 40 amperes of electrical service. A: Stephens Hall
- 4. Will the existing CATV distribution system be available for vendors, other than the current service provider, to utilize for CATV signal distribution?

 A: infrastructure owned by UNA, YES; no other equipment available for use
- Please describe the existing CATV distribution system i.e. fiber, coax, etc.
 A: Hardline Coaxial Cable between building and RG-6 & RG59 inside building
- 6. Are service drops located in a single distribution closet in each building? A: No; Multiple Closets
- 7. If service drops are located in multiple closets in a single building, please provide the quantity of service drops per telecom closet or location. Please indicate the type of riser cable connecting these closets or locations. A: Riser Cable is Hardline Coax & RB-11.
- 8. What is the bandwidth of the existing CATV distribution system or how many channels are provided by the existing CATV distribution system? A: 550 MHz & 120 channels with High Speed Internet
- 9. Is terminated single mode fiber optic cable available to use for CATV signal distribution? If yes, will the University provide a fiber distribution map or diagram for system design? Will Advise
- 10. Does the existing CATV distribution system provide good service and signal quality across all buildings on the campus? A: Most buildings have good service would need to be tested.
- 11. From Section 1.7 Is it possible for UNA to provide examples of usage for the interaction channels? Is it possible for UNA to provide what brand of interactive channel equipment in which our system will need to be compatible? A: This is for future expansion and thus to be defined; must be compatible.
- 12. From Section 2.9 Is it possible for UNA to provide a breakout of how many university classrooms per academic building? A: Between 5 & 15 dependent upon demand.



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13. Is UNA willing to entertain altered terms & conditions necessary to provide unique service levels that may benefit UNA? A: This is a Request for Proposal and UNA will consider all proposals received to determine the best overall option based on the criteria outlined for evaluation. Final Terms and Conditions will be negotiated within a full agreement. All bidders are encouraged to provide the best solutions for UNA. The Award decision will be contingent upon mutual agreement of a completed contract.