

**QUESTIONS and ANSWERS No. 2, Dated June 12, 2007 for ATE RFP;
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1. Question: Is there any more detail about any of the items. I would like to review the description of the items in Section VIII.

Answer: The Functional Areas are intentionally labeled in a broad manner in the RFP's scope of work. This allows for more flexibility when ordering, as the State requires a variety of equipment on an individualized basis for its customers, and also allows for adjustments in technology and updates to product lines through the contract period.

2. Question: "There are products in manufacturers' product lines that contain varying levels of mercury. Will the State consider addressing the requirement for providing a Mercury Affidavit?"

Answer: The COMAR 21.05.08.09 does not absolutely prohibit the use of Mercury in any product; however, the State needs to be aware of product that may contain mercury in order to make an informed decision for the circumstances. Therefore, per Addendum No. 3, dated June 12, 2007 to the ATE RFP, the State is not requiring a Mercury Affidavit be submitted with an Offeror's response to the ATE RFP; however, where applicable, the State will require an Affidavit be completed by the resulting Master Contractor(s) with each Bid or proposal offered as a result of a POIFB or PORFP. See Addendum No. 3's Numbers 1, 2, and 3 for revisions that affect Section 3.4.2.6.E. of the RFP.