

Town of Vernon RFP Questions:

1. Will the Town of Vernon allow HP/3Par StoreServ 8200 SAN as it is the direct replacement for the StoreServe 7200 SAN?
With the recent change in the HP/3Par Product line, the hardware requirements have been updated to allow the HP/3Par StoreServ 8200 SAN as it is the direct replacement for the StoreServe 7200 SAN. If HP/3Par StoreServ 8200 SAN is not available to meet the project timeline as outline in 1.1.4 of the RFP the Town of Vernon will accept the StoreServe 7200 SAN. Any components that are required to be updated to allow for the new model will also be allowed.
2. Will the Town of Vernon deal directly with the leasing company?
As stated in the meeting from September 17th, 2015, the vendor can provide both options:
 - 1) Lease company to Vendor then to Town of Vernon
 - 2) Lease company to Town of Vernon
3. Do you require disc media retention option for the HP 3PAR StoreServ?
This can be added as an option for warranty for defective drives.
4. What are the number and sizes of the volumes for each site, for the HP 3PAR StorServ?
The number, sizes and volumes are to be determined.
5. Do you have two open 10Gbe SFP ports open on both the Annex and PD core switches in order to connect to the 4 HP 5900s being ordered for this project? If, not would you like us to include the appropriate module with our proposal? If yes, do you have an open slot for this additional line card?
Yes, there are open ports and there is no need for more modules.
6. Would you need to include transceivers to the two open ports on the Core switches, or are they already on-site?
If J9150A's are compatibly they will be utilized, otherwise the vendor will need to supply transceivers.
7. What are the power inputs at both sites? Is it 1 phase or 3 phase? What is the connector type?
208v NEMA L6-30R Single Phase power
8. You are connecting an HP Comware 5900 switch over 10GbE uplink to an HP ProCurve 5400zl switch. With direct attached cables you will experience errors notifications for unrecognized transceiver on the Comware switch. Please confirm that you are willing to accept appropriate transceivers and fiber cabling as an alternate.
If the vendor recommends fiber instead of direct attach cables, yes.
9. When connecting 5900 TOR switches to the Core switches, are you going direct or through a patch panel? If through a patch panel, what is the connection type?
Direct with no patch panel.
10. What is the distance from the 5900 TOR switches to the patch panel, or the Core switch?
Racks will be adjacent to each other approximately 2 meters.
11. What is the location of the third site where the ML350 Quorum Witness Server will be located?
The ML350 Quorum Witness Server will be located at another site on the core fiber ring.

12. With the request for an HP Intelligent Rack, does the Town of Vernon, just want a monitored PDU as described in the RFP, or prefer an Intelligent PDU which would allow monitoring and remote configuration abilities?

A monitored PDU is sufficient.

13. We will need cables to connect 4 'HP X140 40G QSFP+ LC LR4 SM Transceivers' to the ISP provided connection to connect 5900 switches to each site. What connectivity is on the ISP end?

There will be no ISP. The 5900 TOR switches will be connected by fiber between the two sites.

14. The Quorum Witness server- Do you have an existing VMware license for this server? As it needs to run on an ESXi host. If not you can use the free version downloadable online for this or would you want us to provide an additional VSphere Standard license?

No additional VMware license for the Quorum Witness server.

15. HP 3PAR best practices are to utilize High Availability Cage (HA cage) – which was not disclosed in the RFP or discussed during pre-bid. Since it is best practices we are currently including it in all of our BOM's unless you would recommend us not providing. We want to verify we will be on a level playing field and not comparing vs other options without HP best practices (HA Cage)

HP recommended best practice is preferred; however, both options should be presented in your RFP response.

16. At the end of 5 years will the Vendor be responsible for removing the equipment?

Yes

17. What are the door specifications for both locations?

Site 1 – 33 ½" x 79 ¼"

Site 2 – 32" x 82"

