

BERGEN COMMUNITY COLLEGE
400 PARAMUS ROAD
PARAMUS, NJ 07652
HARDWARE SUPPLY AND INSTALLATION SERVICES OF NETWORK SWITCHES AND
WIRELESS INFRASTRUCTURE
PUBLIC BID NO. P-2391
Clarification # 1
March 20, 2024

1. Please be advised that the item count on page B-12 of the Form 00300 BID SHEET in the bid package should state **(45 items including Labor Cost)**.

“Bid Bond: Bid security, in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the Bid, but not in excess of \$20,000.00, must accompany each Bid that is submitted. At the option of the Bidder, the Bid security may be in the form of a certified check, cashier’s check, or Bid Bond payable to Bergen Community College. If a Bid Bond is submitted, it shall be in substantially the form set forth in Section C of the Request for Bids, Form 00600. The Bid Bond shall be obtained from a surety that is authorized to do business in the State of New Jersey, that satisfies the requirements set forth in N.J.S.A. 2A:44-141(1)(b), and that is listed in the United States Treasury Department Circular 570. Such Bid Bond shall not contain any conditions to the obligations of the surety company issuing the Bid Bond. Bid Bonds signed by an Attorney-in-Fact shall be accompanied by an executed and certified Power-of-Attorney.”

- Q 1. Does this mean that a vendor can include a certified or cashier’s check in the response package without going through a Surety? If so, do I just note on form 00600 that the bid security is in the form of either a cashier’s or certified check and signed by the Aspire Principal foregoing the need for a Surety’s signature?

- A. 1. **If a certified or cashier’s check is provided, as both are acceptable options the bidder does not also need to provide form 600 which is the Bid Bond form. If there is also a performance bond requirement, form 00610 will still be required in addition to the bid bond satisfaction.**