

WSUL and DALNET

Library Automation Planning Group

Preliminary Review of RFP Responses

On September 17, 1984, vendors' proposals in response to the joint WSUL and DALNET RFP for an Integrated Library System were opened. Eight complete proposals were received.

Teams from the Joint Library Automation Planning Group spent two weeks reviewing the responses. Members of the Technical Requirements Subcommittee reviewed all eight responses for feasibility of the hardware proposed.

After two lengthy discussions -- all day Friday, September 21, and a half day Friday, September 28 -- the Group narrowed the candidate systems down to four. Louise Bugg reviewed the Group's findings and recommends that the four remaining systems be: BLIS, CLSI, GEAC, and NOTIS. These systems include two IBM and two non-IBM solutions. One of the IBM systems, i.e., NOTIS, would be replicated from a system operating at Northwestern University. The other three systems are "turn-key" vendor systems.

Attached are a table of responses and summaries of the eight systems reviewed. The two partial bids were not reviewed at this time.

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TABLE OF RFP RESPONSES

<u>Vendor</u>	WSU		DALNET	
	<u>Phase 1 Total Price</u>	<u>Phase 1 Total Price</u>	<u>Phase 1 Total Price</u>	<u>Total</u>
1. Advanced Library Concepts	\$ 774,360.00	\$2,015,770.00		\$2,790,130.00
2. Bibliotechniques (BLIS)*	1,330,500.00	1,111,817.00		2,442,317.00 ✓
3. CL Systems, Inc. (CLSI)	768,700.00	1,658,120.00		2,426,830.00. ✓
4. Carlyle	495,130.00	1,564,155.00		2,059,285.00
5. Data Research Associates (DRA)	800,233.04	1,954,604.65		2,754,837.00
6. Executive Data Solutions		Partial Bid Only Received (for peripherals)		
7. Geac	969,044.00	1,692,309.00		2,661,353.00 ✓
8. Innovative Interfaces (Innovacq)		Partial Bid Only Received		
9. Northwestern University (NOTIS)	705,875.00	1,315,715.00		2,021,590.00 ✓
10. Universal Library Systems (Ulisis)	1,182,282.00	2,797,978.00		3,980,260.00

#Sent via Airborne 9/14/84; Arrived 9/18/84.