

Your Company Name

Company Logo

Request for Proposal: CRM Software

RFP #

Attention: Project Manager Name

Title
Address
City, State Zip
Phone
Email

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Section 1: Executive Overview

Your Company History

Insert background information on your company and the purpose and business objectives of the proposal. For example, this could be the replacement of a current outdated PC-based contact management system, increased support for field sales force, centralize customer data, support growth rates of 30% year, provide better customer service, etc.

RFP Overview

Include items such as the type of users, (in-house, remote, sales, marketing or service), number of locations, total number of users, geographic location of users, i.e. U.S., Mexico, Canada, language requirements and currency requirements.

CRM System Requirements

Clearly describe the primary requirements of the new system.

1. **Integration requirements:** to your other business and third-party systems.
2. **Business process support:** What business processes will your CRM system support: sales, contact management, field service, help desk? How many customer records?
3. **Platform requirements:**
 - Operating Systems
 - Application Servers
 - # of users supported
 - Availability
 - Data security

Section 2: RFP Schedule

Activities Schedule

| <u>TASK</u> | <u>COMPLETION DATE</u> |
|--|------------------------|
| 1. RFP issued to selected bidders. | Date |
| 2. Bidder clarification questions submitted. | Date |
| 3. Questions and answers returned to bidder. | Date |
| 4. Proposals due. | Date |
| 5. Contract awarded. | Date |
| 6. System implementation | Date |

Delivery Instructions

Please send one (1) original copy of your completed RFP to the address below. Your RFP must be received by Your Company Name by time, date. In addition, please send one (1) electronic copy to: email. Email copies are subject to the same deadlines and received by dates as the hardcopy responses.

Company Name
Department
Attention:
Address
City, State, Zip

It is the bidder's responsibility to delivery their proposal on, or before this deadline. Proposals received after the time specified will be considered late and may be disqualified at Your Company Name's discretion.

Completion Instructions

Bidders are responsible for making a careful examination of the scope of this RFP and to comply with all terms and requirements. Bidder must supply concise answers to questions within this document. References to external documents or Web sites will not be considered. Failure to address any of the requirements in this RFP could subject the Bidder's proposal to rejection.

All bidder responses to this RFP become the property of Your Company Name. We reserve the right to use any information in this proposal to Your Company Name benefit.

The RFP number must be identified in your proposal, and the proposal must be signed by an authorized official of your company.

Your Company Name reserves the right to issue revisions in writing to this RFP at any time prior to the closing date.

Standard Provisions

Proposal submitted in response to this RFP should not be construed as an obligation on the part of Your Company Name to award a purchase order and/or contract. Proposals submitted in response to this RFP will be considered firm offers for a period of 120 days from bid close date. However, in the event Bidder reduces the price of any item or service provided in their initial bid responses,

Bidder agrees to immediately pass these reductions on to Your Company Name by submitting a revised proposal. Bidder warrants that prices provided in your proposal are no greater than prices being charged any other customer for similar items, quantities and schedules with similar specifications.

Section 3: Bidder Company Background

Provide a brief overview and history of your company. Describe the organization of your company and include an organizational chart. Include specific data outlined below:

- Bidder Company name and address
- Contact name, title, address, email, phone
- Headquarter address (if different)
- Local sales address (if different)
- Years in business under this name
- Previous company name(s)
- Years in business under previous name(s)
- Ownership structure?
- Total number of employees?
- Number of on staff developers
- Number of full time technical support staff?
- Number of professional services staff?
- Long-term business strategy?
- List your five primary product offerings, ranked by contribution to revenue.

Section 4: Financial Performance

- Provide financial information on your company, i.e. annual report, 10-K.
- What is your profit growth history for the past three years?
- What is your average ratio of implementation services versus annuity business (for example, maintenance contracts)?
- Attach a recent Dun & Bradstreet report

Section 5: Functionality Requirements Matrix

Use the codes below to indicate your level of support for each of the features in the functionality matrix.

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| SUP | Supported as delivered "out-of-the-box" |
| MOD | Supported via modifications (screen configurations, reports, GUI tailoring, etc) |
| 3RD | Supported via a third party solution |
| CST | Supported via customization (changes to source code) |
| FUT | Will be supported in a future release |
| NS | Not supported |

| Software Function / Requirement | Support Level | Notes |
|---|----------------------|--|
| Sales Force Automation (SFA) Functionality | | |
| <i>Example</i> | <i>SPU</i> | <i>Use codes from the table above to indicate support level.</i> |
| Contact management | | |
| Opportunity management | | |
| Account management | | |
| Territory management | | |
| Product configuration | | |
| Pricing | | |
| Quoting and proposal generation | | |
| Order tracking | | |
| Access to marketing materials | | |
| Lead qualification and management | | |
| Calendar and scheduling | | |
| Dynamic scripting of cross-sells and up-sells | | |
| Lead routing based on analysis of lead data | | |
| Global forecasting | | |
| Data quality management | | |
| Sales Reporting Metrics | | |
| Number of prospects | | |
| Number of new customers | | |
| Number of retained customers | | |
| Number of open opportunities | | |
| Close rate | | |
| Renewal rate | | |
| Number of sales calls | | |
| Number of sales calls per opportunity | | |
| Amount of new revenue | | |
| Amount of recurring revenue | | |
| Time to close by representative | | |

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| Margin | | |
| Days sales outstanding | | |
| Revenue by representative | | |
| Profit by customer | | |
| Number of sales calls made | | |
| Deal margin | | |
| Customer Service (Call Center) Functionality | | |
| Telephony integration | | |
| Web self-service | | |
| Calendaring | | |
| Workflow integration | | |
| Call Logging | | |
| Log requests that capture call details | | |
| Call prioritization system | | |
| Call tracking | | |
| Automatic call escalation | | |
| Identify prior caller ID and provide access to complete account history | | |
| Automatically assign trouble ticket numbers | | |
| Convert emails automatically into an open call | | |
| Role and skill-based case assignment | | |
| Call Action | | |
| Provide scripts as to best course of action | | |
| Automatic logging of all customer interactions | | |
| Track the status of open calls | | |
| Document call actions in history file | | |
| Knowledge-base support | | |
| Generate a to do list for open calls | | |
| Automatic call close-out | | |
| Automatically send a pre-defined email message to callers | | |
| Automatic generation and distribution of user satisfaction questioner | | |
| Help Desk Reporting Metrics | | |
| Complaint time-to-resolution | | |
| Average number of calls per day | | |
| Average response time | | |
| Call duration | | |
| Abandoned call rate | | |
| Wait times | | |
| Cost per contact | | |
| Number of calls handled per agent | | |
| Field Service Functionality | | |
| Appointment booking | | |
| Automatic assignments based on availability, skills, location, task, etc. | | |
| Scheduling and dispatch | | |
| Wireless and mobile field service delivery | | |
| Inventory parts and logistics | | |
| Service contract management | | |
| Remote inventory checking | | |

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| Field Service Reporting Metrics | | |
| Cases closed the same day | | |
| Average number of service calls per day | | |
| Field service repair time | | |
| Customer satisfaction level | | |
| Complaint time-to-resolution | | |
| Marketing Functionality | | |
| Email campaign generation and tracking | | |
| Integration with sales application for automated lead conversion | | |
| Campaign management | | |
| Auto response Email | | |
| List segmentation and management | | |
| Marketing Reporting Metrics | | |
| Number of campaigns | | |
| Number of responses by campaign | | |
| Number of purchases by campaign | | |
| Revenue generated by campaign | | |
| Cost per interaction by campaign | | |
| Number of new customers acquired by campaign | | |
| Customer retention rates | | |
| Number of new product leads generated | | |
| Number of customer referrals | | |
| Content Management | | |
| Content creation, posting, electronic distribution | | |
| Single source product catalog, sales literature library | | |
| Ability to attach client documents to opportunities or cases | | |
| Data Interfaces Functionality | | |
| Compliant with LDAP | | |
| Compliant with CORBA | | |
| Compliant with COM | | |
| Compliant with ODBC | | |
| User Functionality | | |
| Language support for English | | |
| Language support for French | | |
| Web Interface | | |
| Remote synchronization via FTP | | |
| Database access while disconnected from the server | | |
| Database and application access via a Web interface? | | |
| Remote synchronization via email | | |
| Web access password protection | | |
| Customizable user interface | | |
| Keyword searchable online help | | |
| Integration/Interface Support | | |
| Prebuilt interface to HR insert your required interfaces. | | |
| Prebuilt interface to financial system | | |
| Prebuilt interface to ERP | | |
| Architecture | | |

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| Wireless technology support | | |
| Handheld platform support | | |
| Networks supported: -PC LAN Server -Novell | | |
| Support for Server Operating System (s) | | |
| Apple Mac OS X | | |
| MS Windows 98 | | |
| MS Windows NT | | |
| Unix | | |
| SunOS | | |
| Support for Client Operating Systems | | |
| Apple Mac OSX | | |
| MS Windows 98 | | |
| MS Windows NT | | |
| MS Windows 2000 | | |
| Unix | | |
| Hosted/online | | |
| Application Service Provider (ASP) | | |
| Software - General | | |
| Open License with ability to add additional stations in current and other warehouses | | |
| Modular software package to enable purchase of additional modules as required. | | |
| 24 x 7 support | | |
| Source code available | | |
| Customer can apply releases and upgrades supplied by vendor | | |
| Published release schedule | | |
| User fields/function keys to allow easy customization | | |
| Is the ability to create end-user specific "views" provided by the proposed software? | | |
| How many users per application server are supported by the proposed software? | | |
| Hosted/web-based software license | | |
| Other | | |
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Section 6: Proposed Solution Recommendation

Description

Describe the recommended solution, including the following:

- Product name(s)
- Primary features and benefits
- First release date
- Next release date
- Is the proposed solution
- How many sites are currently using the proposed system

Budgetary Pricing Estimate

Budgetary quote for your CRM solution. Bidders should provide detailed, line item pricing for all items included in the proposal. This should include a detailed item description, quantity required, list price, extended discounted price. Support services, professional services, integration, customization and any travel or other costs should be identified separately.

Annual maintenance costs should be identified as separate charges.

Total Cost of Ownership

What is the estimated three year total cost of ownership for the proposed solution? Please provide details of your calculation process.

Section 7: Implementation

Overview

Provide a brief overview of your professional and integration services organization.

Methodology and Tools

Include a description of your methodology, tools used to manage the project, change control procedures, and common communication methods.

Project Timeline

Identify elapsed time and key dates for completing this project.

Project Team

Provide a biography of team leader and all key employees to be assigned to the project. Identify required Your Company Name resources.

Fee Structure

Section 8: Training Services

Describe your company's training services and methods for delivering training. Is training curriculum tailored to implementation specifications or is it generic?

Section 9: Customer Support

- Describe your company's ongoing support and services.
- What are your support hours? Average response time?
- Type of issue tracking system?
- Availability of on-site support and troubleshooting?
- Average response times for bug fixes and enhancement requests?
- How is documentation provided?

Section 10: References

List five reference accounts. Include one that has been using your system for over five years, one that purchased within the last year, and one that is has [identify your specific requirements – integration to a specific solution, industry, organization size].

Include the company name, contact name and title, phone number, email address and brief project description for each reference.

References must be willing to discuss the technical and performance aspects of the Bidder's installed solutions(s) with Your Company Name.