



## MEMORANDUM

**Date:** February 3, 2026

**From:** Sheila Sells, Contract Specialist

**Subject:** Questions and Answers – 75H71326Q00009 Solicitation

**To:** All Concerned Parties, Contract File

The following is a list of question(s) received in regards to subject solicitation with responses:

1. In regards to Response to Questions 1.23.26, question #34: IHS requires battery backup. Is this for both ACS and VSS? How many hours does IHS require? Response: Yes, backup battery for both ACS and VSS and 24 hours.  
Question: Please confirm if the intent is to maintain power to all equipment for a continuous 24-hour period. This is achievable: however, providing a full 24-hour battery backup would require significantly sized UPS systems and battery cabinets, occupying a minimum of 42 rack units. Additionally, 24-hour UPS systems are extremely expensive due to the large battery capacity and supporting infrastructure required. Please advise if this space allocation is acceptable or if a reduced backup 4hr duration is acceptable.

Response: It was an oversight, the alarm system requires the 24 hour battery backup. Please disregard the 24 hour battery backup as it's separate from the ACS and VSS. Reduced backup to 4 hours is acceptable. Any other questions regarding this response, please don't hesitate to reach out to myself.