MEDC Pure Michigan Store RFP-Case-365000 Questions & Answers

Q1) What are the current sales for 2019, 2018, and 2017?

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2017	2018
\$85,282 (without net)	\$60,393 (without net)

- Q2) Is there anyone that we can speak to in regard to the bid or is email the only way to communicate?
- A2) This Q and A period was the only form of communication at this point of the process.
- Q3) Why is MEDC looking for a new contractor at this time?
- A3) The contract with our current vendor had expired.
- Q4) In order to capture a larger part of the wholesale market, (Resorts and Shops), will new designs from the MEDC or Ad Agency be provided several months in advance of the selling season?
- A4) MEDC will provide new designs when new campaigns launch, but vendors are expected to create original designs that lineup with the Pure Michigan brand's messaging.
- Q5) Will the awardee of the agreement have the opportunity to supply merchandise for special events, such as Detroit Tiger promotions?
- A5) Yes, if there are no licensing conflicts. Detroit Tiger promotions are not handled by MEDC.
- Q6) What areas will the store be promoted other than websites for subscribers only?
- A6) Please refer to the RFP under the section of 'Merchandising the Brand'.
- Q7) Will the awardee be able to market the store website on social media?
- A7) Separate social channels will not be created for the store but integrated within the existing Pure Michigan channels.

- Q8) How many orders does the site currently fulfill per month?
- A8) An average of 400 orders per month.
- Q9) Does this include fulfilling wholesale orders? If so, how many retailers sell Pure Michigan products?
- A9) Yes. Currently there are 275 Pure Michigan retailers.
- Q10) Will this be an exclusive license?
- A10) This is not an exclusive license; however, the MEDC is only selecting one vendor for the Pure Michigan Store.