

**INVITATION TO REGISTER INTEREST AND SUBMIT A DRAFT UNIVERSAL SERVICE PLAN AS A
UNIVERSAL SERVICE PROVIDER UNDER THE COMMUNICATIONS AND MULTIMEDIA
(UNIVERSAL SERVICE PROVISION) REGULATIONS 2002 FOR THE INSTALLATION OF NETWORK
FACILITIES AND DEPLOYMENT OF NETWORK SERVICE FOR THE PROVISIONING OF
BROADBAND ACCESS SERVICE DELIVERY THROUGH SATELLITE CONNECTIVITY AT THE
UNIVERSAL SERVICE TARGETS UNDER THE USP INITIATIVE**

Questions & Answers

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1	May I know if we can propose other alternative solution other than VSAT?	<p>The RFP was tailored for the provisioning of broadband access service through satellite connectivity. Such requirements are highlighted under subparagraph 4.1.2 (eligibility requirement) where the interested licensee(s) must fulfil:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Minimum two (2) years' experience in the installation of network facilities and/or the deployment of network services for the provisioning of broadband access services via satellite connectivity (data only); and 2. Have existing and extensive core networks to support the provisioning of broadband access service via satellite. <p>Hence, any alternative solutions besides VSAT will not be evaluated.</p>

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2	Adakah syarikat yang berdaftar di Sabah dan Sarawak walaupun mempunyai lesen NFP & NSP layak untuk mendaftar dan menyerahkan draf tersebut?	Ya, pemegang lesen NFP(I), NSP(I) dan ASP(C) yang berdaftar di Sabah dan Sarawak tetap boleh mengambil bahagian dalam projek ini, selagimana memenuhi kriteria kelayakan yang ditetapkan pada perenggan 4.1.1 dan 4.1.2 pada mukasurat 17 dan 18 dalam dokumen permintaan untuk cadangan. Sila ambil perhatian bahawa kawasan kemudahan rangkaian di dalam lesen NFP(I) pihak tuan adalah di seluruh Malaysia.
3	We wish to clarify regarding the above matter on Registration of Interest Requirements under 4.1.1 (b) page 17 of Section III, on which the interested licensee is required to hold valid ASP(C). We seek your advice on what kind of format that we need to provide to MCMC on the partnership agreement with an existing ASP(C) licensee.	The form of the partnership can be reflected in a legally binding agreement, or a memorandum of understanding between the relevant parties. Please note that the successful designated universal service provider will have to produce a legally binding agreement within 120 days from the commencement date of the project.
4	In Section 4.1.1 on tenderer requirements, on Earth Stations, Satellite Hubs and etc, can the tenderer engage in a partnership agreement on section 4.1.1 (a) just like for section 4.1.1 (b) where ASP which could have such arrangement?	Partnership arrangement for the network facilities specified in subparagraph 4.1.1 is not permissible. The interested licensee(s) must hold all prerequisite network facilities in its NFP(I) license to make it eligible to participate in this project. The Commission only permits for partnership arrangement between the designated universal service provider and an ASP(C) licensee for the provisioning of internet access services at retail end. For the upstream portion of the infrastructure deployment and network service provisioning, the Commission requires licensees that are experienced in this regard, and have the necessary core competency in this field.