Invitation for Bids (IFB 25-22) Computing Nodes

Amendment #1 – Vendor Questions & JSU Answers

1. **Question**: Is a lift gate required?

<u>Answer</u>: If no assembly onsite is required, you will be delivering to our Central Receiving warehouse (address below). They have a forklift.

JACKSON STATE UNIVERSITY
CENTRAL RECEIVING,
OLD SHEPARD BLDG
1325 HATTIESBURG ST.
JACKSON MS 39204-2335

phone: 601-979-4181

2. **Question**: Is inside delivery required? If so, to what floor and do you have a service elevator?

Answer: Central Receiving is a one-story building, so no elevator is required.

3. **Question:** Any other special instructions we might need to be aware of for the delivery location?

<u>Answer</u>: Central Receiving hours are 8am – 4pm. To get through the gate, you will need to call 601-979-4181.

4. **Question:** Supermicro no longer carries the NVIDIA A800 40GB HBM2e Tensor Core GPUs. Would you be okay with using the NVIDIA Ada L40S 48GB GDDR6 PCIe Gen 4—350 instead?

<u>Answer</u>: No, NVIDIA Ada L40S is not required. We are specifically interested in the NVIDIA H100 or NVIDIA A100 if the A800 is not available.

5. **Question:** Regarding the four workstations: they currently support RTX 5090 GPUs with 3.5 PCle slots, but the system can only accommodate one card—not two. As an alternative, we propose using **2 × RTX 5000 Ada GPUs**. Does this work for you?

<u>Answer</u>: No, two RTX 5000 Ada GPUs will not work for us. Instead, please include a single RTX 5090 GPU.