BTL would amend on the following additional requirement:

1. **Amendment to Financial Proposal Submission Requirements**

Considering the allocated budget and the proposed project implementation schedule, the original RFP specified a phase-wise implementation approach. However, to facilitate a comprehensive financial evaluation and provide flexibility in project implementation, bidders are hereby requested to submit two separate financial proposals as outlined below:

1. Proposal 1 – Comprehensive One-Year Project: A consolidated financial proposal covering the entire project scope, with implementation and completion within one year.

2. Proposal 2 – Phase-Wise Project Implementation: A financial proposal based on the phased implementation approach, divided as follows:

o Phase I (2027): Implementation of the first phase of the project.

o Phase II (2028): Implementation of the remaining project scope in the second phase.

Bidders are required to submit both financial proposals separately, clearly indicating the corresponding project scope, cost breakdown, implementation timeline, and any associated financial implications for each approach.

2. **Amendment to Technical proposal submission requirements**

Bidders are requested to submit both technical solutions, along with their respective financial proposals, as outlined below:

1. **Technical solution A: Full Transponder-Based Solution:** A comprehensive technical proposal based on transponder solutions with financial implication.
2. **Technical solution B: Hybrid IP-over-WDM Solution:** A technical proposal based on a hybrid IP-over-WDM (IPoDWDM / Coherent Routing) architecture, utilizing coherent pluggables directly in the routing layer where applicable with financial implication.
3. **Layer-1 optical security (AES-256 encryption) is not require.**