



## **United Kingdom Education and Research Networking Association**

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#### **Procurement for Maintenance and Support Services for UKLight SDH Equipment**

##### **Clarification Note 1**

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**Question:**

Would UKERNA consider having its own UKLight On-Centre management system taken away and using the SuperJANET5 On-Centre management system which is operated by Verizon Business?

**Answer:**

UKERNA expect to be able to continue to operationally manage the UKLight network from day one of the new maintenance contract, unlike SuperJANET5 provisioning, which will, at least initially, be managed by Verizon Business.

**Question:**

Will UKERNA identify which boxes and location they will want to operate?

**Answer:**

A list of equipment and locations are given in appendix A of the maintenance ITT. The non-university sites: London, Warrington, Edinburgh, Glasgow and Leeds refer to the SuperJANET5 C-PoP locations which are hosted on Verizon Business sites.

The specific locations of the Chicago and SARA systems are:

Northwestern University, Information Technology (NUIT)  
710 North Lake Shore Drive,  
Chicago, Illinois  
USA

SARA Computing and Networking Services  
Postbus 94613  
1090 GP Amsterdam  
The Netherlands

**Question:**

With regards to maintenance and support will UKERNA be considering other manufacturers other than Ciena when purchasing additional equipment?

**Answer:**

Please see the response to the 25<sup>th</sup> July clarification question in Clarification Note 2 dated 9<sup>th</sup> August 2006 for the Supply of UKLight SDH Equipment procurement. This can be found at <http://www.ja.net/latest/itt/uklight-supply.html>