

VA Tech RFP 648251 – Fixed Assets Inventory Tracking System – Questions & Answers - 2

1) Is there an interface specification for Banner with VT modifications? Is Banner running with Oracle?	The interface currently being used is written in C++ which basically downloads and uploads a text file to be picked up by Banner and the scanners. Banner does run on an Oracle platform.
2) Is this an “Inventory” or an “Asset Tracking” System	Banner calls the system we use a Fixed Asset Tracking System.
3) Hand held portable computing device capacity to download a minimum data for 125,000 records. Since the departments schedule their inventory counts (As described on pg 3 Item III Background – Last two sentences) do you need the entire database or just that departments? You mentioned 65,000 assets above and are asking for 125,000 or is this just room for growth and again will it be by department vs. entire database?	We load the entire database before we go to the individual departments. Much of the equipment gets moved around to various areas on campus and this way we can still track these assets. The 125,000 is for anticipated growth in the next few years. Again we will continue to download the complete inventory for the university.
4) Do all of the fields need to be on one screen at one time or could you scroll or move through several screens to see complete information?	All information does not need to appear on one screen. We would like the minimum of the VT Tag number, Manufacture, Model, Serial Number, and a brief description. The other information listed could be an additional screen if we need the additional information in the field.
5) What Fields would you like to search? Attachment C identifies Fields that should be editable and it does reference Last Inventory Date but not Who did the last inventory as referenced earlier in the RFP.	The scanners currently just scan and search on the VT bar code. We have not fully discussed other search features. A search on serial numbers is something we have also mentioned a need for. The last inventory date is when the item was scanned or the location updated last. We do not necessarily need to know who did the last inventory while out in the field. Currently that is how we are downloading the scanners by user who used the scanner during that day’s inventory.
6) Battery must last 11 Hours. Is that on Standby only or in use for 11 hours?	It needs to have the capabilities to last 11 hours in use. On a occasions we have been out in the field working where we worked longer than a normal 8 hour work day.