



**State of Oklahoma  
Office of Management and Enterprise Services  
Central Purchasing**

**Amendment of Solicitation**

**Date of Issuance:** September 9, 2015  
**Requisition No.** SW797-1

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**Amendment No.** 001

Hour and date specified for receipt of offers is changed:  No  Yes, to: 10/20/2015 3:00 PM CST/CDT

Pursuant to OAC 580:16-7-30(d), this document shall serve as official notice of amendment to the Solicitation identified above. Such notice is being provided to all suppliers to which the original solicitation was sent.

Suppliers submitting bids or quotations shall acknowledge receipt of this solicitation amendment prior to the hour and date specified in the solicitation as follows:

- (1) Sign and return a copy of this amendment with the solicitation response being submitted; or,
- (2) If the supplier has already submitted a response, this acknowledgement must be signed and returned prior to the solicitation deadline. All amendment acknowledgements submitted separately shall have the solicitation number and bid opening date printed clearly on the front of the envelope.

**ISSUED BY and RETURN TO:**

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**Description of Amendment:**

a. This is to incorporate the following:

- 1. Questions and the resultant answers are attached.
- 2. The closing date has been extended to 10/20/15.

b. All other terms and conditions remain unchanged.

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Supplier Company Name (**PRINT**) \_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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Authorized Representative Name (**PRINT**) \_\_\_\_\_  
Title \_\_\_\_\_  
Authorized Representative Signature

## SW797-1 Questions and Answers

Q1. Section A.11 (Approved Equivalents) states: "With their bid ... the bidder shall ... explain ... why the proposed equivalents will meet the specifications and not be considered an exception thereto.". However, section E.1.1 states: "Questions regarding this Solicitation should be submitted no later than Friday, August 28<sup>th</sup>, 2015.". Finally, section A12.1 states: Clarification pertaining to the contents of this solicitation shall be directed in writing to the Central Purchasing Contracting Officer specified in the solicitation, and must be prior to the closing date of the solicitation." Please advise as to whether Approved Equals are allowed to be submitted. If so, should they be submitted with the bid (Sept 30, 2015) or by Aug 28<sup>th</sup>, 2015.

A1. As listed in Section A.30, all Special Provisions take precedence over General Provisions. Section E.1.1 stated that all questions are to be submitted by August 28<sup>th</sup>, 2015.

Q2. The phrase "Part 5: Technical Specifications" appears 19 times in the RFP. Please advise as to where we can source a copy of Part 5: Technical Specifications.

A2. The references to Part 5, should have been removed. The Technical Specifications are contained in Sections T, Specifications for CNG Low Floor Bus, and Section U, Specifications for 45' Diesel Motor Coach.

Q3. Section B.3.1 (page 10) states the following: "Delivery should be made within 120 calendar days after receipt of order by the successful vendor." Please advise as to whether RFP #SW797-1 requires a 2016 bus delivery date.

A3. Section B.3.1 also states that vehicles with a build date longer than 120 days should be noted in Solicitation Response. The State understands that some vehicles will have a longer build date than 120 days and vendors should list their estimated build dates within their response.

Q4. Altro Safety Flooring would like to request a change or add as an option to your current solicitation SW797-1 on the floor covering for both the CNG low floor and "U" 45' Diesel Commuter Coach to Altro Safety Flooring.

A4. Altro flooring as submitted is an adequate and approved substitution

See next page for additional questions and answers.

REQUESTS FORM - Submitted by Alliance Bus Group and Eldorado National-California, Inc. for State of Oklahoma RFP #WS797-1

Request Number	Page Number	Section	Title	Specification Language	Request	Approved	Denied	Customer Comments
1	9	A.29	Compliance with Applicable Laws	Entire section	Approval to add a Regulatory Change clause as follows: "Changes of Law that become effective after the Proposal Due Date may result in price changes. If a price adjustment is indicated, either upward or downward, it shall be negotiated between the Agency and the Contractor and the final Contract price will be adjusted upwards or downwards to reflect such changes in Law. Such price adjustment may be audited, where required."		X	The General Provisions are approved are standard provisions and can not be altered. Price Adjustments caused by regulatory changes are addressed in Section B.20.
2	10	B.3.1	Required Delivery	Delivery should be made within 120 calendar days after receipt of order by the successful vendor.	Approval of 300 calendar days after receipt of order by successful vendor.		X	Section B.3.1 also states that vehicles with build dates longer than 120 days should be noted in your response. Given production lead times associated with vehicle manufacturing all vendors should submit their lead times for the specified vehicles.
3	12	B.18.2 and B.20.2	Product Availability and Price Adjustments	The awarded dealer will provide vehicles for length of the contract period without any price increases.	Approval to utilize an escalator such as the Bureau of Labor Statistics WPU 1413 PPI for Truck and Bus Bodies to any buses that may be purchased in the option years (i.e. during the two (2) additional one year periods). The proposed PPI is recommended by the SBPG's and considered standard in the transit industry.		X	If the cost of the chassis increases during the renewal years, awarded dealers may submit a letter stating how much the chassis increase is and the price will be increased by the cost of the chassis increase only.

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4	1 of 33	DOT - Transit Programs Division	FTA's Special Provisions	This procurement is dependent upon the availability of federal funds through the Federal Transit Administration (FTA)	Please clarify a minimum and maximum quantities for this FTA funded procurement which is not inconsistent with the FTA's Best Practices Procurement Manual, Chapter 2, subchapter 2.4.5.3, Indefinite-quantity Contracts.			The Oklahoma RFP #SW797-1 is a statewide contract that allows various funding sources to be used to procure vehicles. The FTA Special Provisions only apply to this contract when FTA funds are used to purchase vehicle and are dependent upon the availability of Federal Funds through the Federal Transit Administration. No minimum or maximum quantiles can be place on this statewide contract due to the various end users and funding sources.
5		Dimensions	Physical Size	Thirty foot bus: Body length: 30 feet +or- 6 inches	Approval of a body length of 31' 2" for the 30 foot bus	X		Approved
6		Underbody Clearance	Ramp Clearances	Departure angle should be no less than 9 degrees	Approval of an 8.7 degree departure angle for the 30 foot and 35 foot buses. Please note that this is a critical design element of the buses to be proposed and can't be changed.	X		Approved
7		Vehicle Performance	Top Speed	the bus should be capable of a top speed of 68 mph...	Approval of a top speed of 65 mph as recommended by the tire manufacturer for the tires outfitted on the 30-foot and 35-foot buses to be proposed. Please note that the engine can be governed to 68 mph but, the bus overall top speed will be limited by the tire's maximum speed rating of 65 mph.	X		Approved
8		Vehicle Performance	Acceleration	0 to 30 mph - 20.0 seconds	Approval of a 21.5 seconds for 0 to 30 mph acceleration	X		Approved
9		Vehicle Performance	Acceleration	0 to 40 mph - 31.0 seconds	Approval of a 32.0 seconds for 0 to 40 mph acceleration	X		Approved

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10		Vehicle Performance	Operating Range	the operating range of the coach when run on the transit coach duty cycle should be at least 350 miles...	Approval of a 250-270 mile range for the 30 foot bus only. Please note that the propose range is determined by the space availability on the roof and that the CNG tank arrangement and maximum SCF will only allow the operating range proposed.	X		Approved
11		Power Plant	Engine Cooling	A spring-loaded, push-button type valve to safely release pressure or vacuum in the cooling system...	Approval of a non-hinged positive lock type radiator filler cap mounted on the surge tank which, is integral with the engine coolant recovery tank system that utilizes a screw-on cap for checking the engine coolant level. Please note that the proposed engine coolant recovery system meets the Cummins recommended design for EPA 2013 engines and beyond.	X		Approved
12		Power Plant	Engine Cooling	the radiator, and charge air cooler if integrated, should be of durable corrosion-resistant construction with bolted-on removable tanks.	Approval of Modine designed radiator and charge air cooler tanks that are fabricated from HD Fiberglass reinforced nylon material and offer a high capacity cross-flow atmosphere for the cooling system to withstand extreme weather and operating conditions (including off-road, heavy-duty construction equipment). the radiator tanks are interlocked with the body of the radiator by extruded connections and thus, are not removable. The proposed radiator and charge air cooler tanks provide for a superior and durable design with fewer areas for leakage and thus, less maintenance intensive. The fin density of the propose radiator tanks is 10 fins per inch which, is substantially less than the 12 fins per inch maximum specified.	X		Approved

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13		Power Plant	Service	Engine oil and the radiator filler caps should be hinged to the filler neck and closed with spring pressure or positive locks.	Approval of twist on/off engine and radiator filler caps which, are designed to provide a positive lock which prevents leakage. Each cap is securely tethered to each fill neck assembly to prevent loss or misplacement of the caps while filling.	X		Approved
14		Power Plant	Service	All lubricant sumps should be fitted with magnetic type, external, hex-head drain plugs.	Please clarify that the following lubricant sumps are to be outfitted with magnetic type drain plugs: 1) engine 2) transmission 3) rear axle 4) hydraulic reservoir 5) power steering gearbox	X		The following lubricant sumps are to be outfitted with magnetic type drain plugs: 1) engine 2) transmission 3) rear axle 4) hydraulic reservoir 5) power steering gearbox
15		Power Plant	Hydraulic System Sensors	Specific systems for which low hydraulic fluid level sensors are required are included in attachments to Part 5: Technical Specifications	Reference is made in this section to "Part 5: Technical Specification" but, this attachment can not be found in the solicitation document and this reference to "Part 5: Technical Specification" is included in numerous other areas of this Section "T" - CNG Low Floor Bus. Please clarify			Supplier should provide sensors and driver display warnings for low hydraulic fluid levels.
16		Wheels and Tires	Wheels and Tires	Entire sections	Please clarify whether or not a spare wheel and tire are required.			No spare tire or wheel will be required
17		Structure	Towing	Each towing device should withstand, without permanent deformation, tension loads up to 1.2 times the curb weight of the bus within 20 degrees of the longitudinal axis of the bus.	The towing device for the front fully complies with this requirement. Regarding the rear towing device, we request concurrence that this requirement be waived for the rear towing device and instead, allow for the rear towing devices to permit lifting and towing of the bus for short distances such as in the case of emergency situations where the bus must be pulled out of a ditch, etc. for purposes of positioning the bus to be towed from the front. Please note that this proposed language is explicitly stated in a subsequent paragraph.	X		Approved

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18		Floor	Design	The vehicle floor in the area of the entrance and exit doors should have a lateral slope not exceeding 2 degrees to allow for drainage.	Approval of a 4 degree slope for the 30' bus only. The proposed 4 degree slope is a critical design element of the 30' bus that provides for superior moisture drainage performance and cannot be changed.	X		Approved
19		Exterior Panels and Finishes	Pedestrian safety	Advertising frames should protrude no more than 7/8 inch from the body surface...	Please clarify whether or not advertising frames are required and if so, how many advertising frames are required including locations and dimensions.			Exterior advertising frames will not be required, however pricing can be offered as an optional addition. Interior advertising frames should accommodate a height of 11" and run the length of the passenger compartment with the exception of locations that will not accommodate such as entry/exit points.
20		Finish and Color	Finish and Color	Entire section	We request concurrence that the finish and color will be a single exterior non-metallic color (white). This clarification is needed in order to adequately price the vehicles and that once contract is awarded, the contractor can work with the individual end users to confirm and price a paint scheme and graphics that is specific to each end user.			Paint scheme will use three colors: white, orange and black. <a href="https://universitymarketing.okstate.edu/content/style-guide">https://universitymarketing.okstate.edu/content/style-guide</a>
21		Finish and Color	Finish and Color	Colors and paint schemes should be in accordance with the attachments to Part 5: Technical Specifications	We request concurrence that the actual paint scheme and graphics for each end user will be worked out after contract award and that no costing for end user paint schemes and graphics will be accrued until such time as a purchase order is about to be placed by the end user. Please note that the reference to "Part 5: Technical Specifications" cannot be found anywhere in the Section "T" - CNG Low Floor Bus.			Actual paint scheme will be provided during the pre-build process Please disregard all references to Part 5: Technical Specifications. Submit questions as needed to clarify all references to this section.

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22		Passenger Interior Lighting	Passenger Interior Lighting	Fluorescent tubes should be a maximum 6-foot length...	Please clarify whether an LED interior lighting system or a fluorescent interior lighting system is required. Please note that the first sentence in this particular section states "The interior LED lighting system..."			LED lighting should be used for all interior lighting applications.
23		Fare Collection	Farebox	The farebox, including make, model mounting provisions, size, weight, and meter locations.	Please clarify what this sentence is requiring. Please note that this sentence is incomplete and without a verb.			Vehicles should be equipped with Genfare Cents-a-bill farebox with card reader or approved equal
24		Fare Collection	Fare Collection	Transfer mounting, cutting, and punching equipment should be located in a position convenient to the operator.	Please clarify who is to supply the transfer mounting, cutting and punching equipment and if the bus manufacturer is to supply this equipment, please provide supplier name and contact information.			The buyer will supply the necessary equipment. Please provide optional pricing for Genfare Cents-a-bill transfer cutter compatible device, or approved equal.
25		Passenger Seating	Construction and Materials	The seat cushion should be supported by springs.	Approval to delete or waive requirement for seat cushion to be supported by springs as spring technology has been replaced with much improved means of providing support and comfort to the passenger as well as extending the life of the seat cushion without expensive replacement costs.	X		Spring requirements are waived. Please provide detailed alternatives in the bid submission.
26		Windshield Wipers	Windshield Wipers	The bus should be equipped with a variable speed windshield wiper for each half of the windshield, with separate controls for each side	Approval of a single control for both sides of the front windshield.	X		Approved
27		Windshield Wipers	Windshield Wipers	The windshield washer system should have a minimum 3-gallon reservoir...	Approval of a 2.5 gallon reservoir for the 30-foot and 35-foot buses owing to space constraints.	X		Approved
28		Exterior Route Displays	Destination Signs	The rear route number sign should be controlled by the same OCP that operates the destination signs.	Please clarify whether or not the rear route number sign is to be full color.			Please list the rear sign as an option and the sign is to be amber LED
29		Exterior Route Displays	Destination Signs	The rear route number sign should be controlled by the same OCP that operates the destination signs.	if the previous request is clarified that the rear route number sign is not to be full color, then we request approval that the rear route number sign be an Amber LED sign.	X		Approved, refer to Request # 28 in this document

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30		Exterior Route Displays	Destination Signs	the side destinations sign should be full color and have no less than 648 LED dot pixels, having at least 9 rows by 72 columns with a message display area of not less than 2.7 inches high by not less than 36 inches wide	Approval of a side destination sign having 8 rows by 96 columns and meeting all other specification requirements in this section.			Curb side sign should be full color 9 rows by 72 columns.
31		Signage and Communication	Security Cameras	The bus should be equipped with an 8 Channel DVR unit with 8 cameras, three exterior and 5 interior. The DVR should be Mobile DVR X11-8CH or approved equal	Please clarify the supplier and model designation for the specified security camera system. The model designation specified is unclear.			Current DVR supplier is CWI Digital using MDVR-8 or approved equal
32				No Training is mentioned in the RFP	Please clarify the training requirements			Driver/Operator training on bus and systems as well as brief overview of mechanical and electrical systems for maintenance personnel
33				No Publications is mentioned in the RFP	Please clarify the publications requirements			Publications should consist of all mechanical, electrical and owner's manual details.