



Procurement Type: Request for Qualifications

ADDENDUM 1: Response to Firm(s) Questions

Deadline for Questions: September 6, 2022, by 4:00 p.m.

Deadline for Responses to Questions: September 9, 2022

All questions and responses will be provided to all potential Firm(s) who have expressed interest and posted on our website. All firm(s) submitting a proposal must include acknowledgement of Addendum with their responses.

Questions received from interested firm(s):

1. Is there an established budget for this project?

Response: A construction budget cannot be identified at this time due to the federally required type of procurement and negotiation process that will occur after the most qualified A/E firm is selected for design and construction management.

2. Has a firm been assisting with the program requirements of the project, or have they developed any schematic layouts to date? (The RFQ reads as though a firm may have provided schematic design services; however, later it states that the applicant will be responsible for the services, so we just wanted to clarify).

Response: A very preliminary and general schematic drawing was prepared to submit to the Federal Transit Administration during the grant funding process. The selected A/E firm will be responsible for all schematic and final drawings once they are under contract.

3. Are all of the requirements on Attachment E – Third Party Contract Clauses required? Some of the individual items would add cost and time to the project (i.e., the drug and alcohol testing would be a significant financial burden for smaller firms).

Response: All Items checked on Attachment E are Federally mandated clauses and are required. The bidder's signed commitment is required for their submission to be considered responsive.

4. Debarment Certification form, Attachment D. We are unsure of what the expected "fill-in-the-blank" item is for the last paragraph. Are you able to provide explanation or clarification of what is required here?

Response: Your firm name is appropriate for the blank in that paragraph.

5. On page 19, in the first paragraph, it states, "every entity that performs a safety-sensitive function on the recipient's behalf"; how do you define safety-sensitive?

Response: FTA regulation 655.45 requires random testing for drugs and alcohol for all employees that perform safety-sensitive functions. Safety sensitive function is defined in Part 655.4, as any of the following duties, when performed by employees of recipients, subrecipients, operators, or contractors:

Operating a revenue service vehicle, including when not in revenue service;

Operating a non-revenue service vehicle, when required to be operated by a holder of a Commercial Driver's License;

Controlling dispatch or movement of a revenue service vehicle;

Maintaining (including repairs, overhaul and rebuilding) a revenue service vehicle or equipment used in revenue service.

This section does not apply to the following: an employer who receives funding under 49 U.S.C. 5307 or 5309, is in an area with less than 200,000 in population, and contracts out such services; or an employer who receives funding under 49 U.S.C. 5311 and contracts out such services; Carrying a firearm for security purposes.



To assure everyone received this addendum, please sign below, and include this document as page 2 of your response to the RFQ.

I acknowledge that I received this addendum.

Signature