ADDENDUM ONE QUESTIONS and ANSWERS 6852 OF

Date: 01/22/2024

To: All Bidders

From: Josh Riekenberg, Procurement Contracts Officer

AS Materiel State Purchasing Bureau (SPB)

RE: Addendum for Invitation to Bid (ITB) Number 6852 OF for 2024 or current

Production Year Ford Transit Bus (12 Passengers + 2 Wheelchairs) to be opened on

January 30, 2024 at 2:00 p.m. Central Time

Questions and Answers

This Addendum will become part of the ITB and should be acknowledged with the ITB.

Questions

#	Solicitation Section Reference	Solicitation Page Number	Question	Answers
1	Scope, I. Procurement Procedure/A and VI. Technical Specifications/D. Chassis and Related Systems	3, 13, 32	Please clarify NEDOT is looking for an E450 chassis versus a Ford Transit.	The state requests a E450 chassis.
2	VI. Technical Specifications/G/1	24	Please clarify what you mean by "structure shall be steel reinforced fiberglass or steel reinforced plastic that will withstand flexing or fatigue that would make the vehicle unfit for safe and weather-tight operation."	Vehicle frame must be steel reinforced fiberglass or steel reinforced plastic
3	III. Contractor Duties/F. Prices	25	Please clarify when a price increase can be requested.	Page: 13 Section: III. F.

				Prices submitted on the cost bid form, once accepted by the State, shall remain fixed for the first (One hundred eighty Days) (180) of the contract. Any request for a price increase subsequent to the (Thirty Days) (30 of the contract shall not exceed Ten percent (10 %) of the price bid for the period. Increases shall not be cumulative and will only apply to that period of the contract. The request for a price increase must be submitted in writing to the State Purchasing Bureau a minimum of 30 days prior to the end of the current contract period. Documentation may be required by the State to support the price increase.
4	VI. Technical Specifications/I/1	26	A manual door is no longer available from the manufacturer. Please accept an electric door with control switch that is easily accessible for the driver wearing a seatbelt.	The state accepts this feature.
5	VI. Technical Specifications/J/3	27	CMI #831 Pinwheel Mono Blue has been discontinued by the manufacturer. Please clarify what fabric you would like to change to.	The state will accept an equivalent Blue Fabric.
6	III. Contractor Duties/S. Time is of the Essence and VI. Technical Specifications/W. Quality/2	27, 45	Please clarify if there is a required delivery timeframe or if bidder is to provide available delivery at time of bid.	Bidder is to provide available delivery time once purchase order is submitted to vendor.
7	V. Scope of Work/A	30	Please accept representative literature and photos as it's unlikely an exact bus exists today.	The state is willing to accept this change.
8	VI. Technical Specifications/C/5	32	Please clarify "Overall width (excluding mirrors). Maximum 73 inches".	VI.C.5. of the ITB states: Overall Width: (Excluding mirrors) Maximum 96 inches
9	VI. Technical Specifications/K. Front Wheelchair Accommodations/4/e	40	Please accept an online training video ilo a CD.	The state willing to accept online training instead of a CD.

10	VI. Technical Specifications/L. Stanchions, Modesty Panels and Handrails	41	Please accept a tinted plexiglass shield behind the driver ilo clear.	The state is willing accept this feature.
11	VI. Technical Specifications/W. Quality/3	45	Please accept the following ilo terminology currently in ITB. Products are guaranteed under the manufacturer and OEM warranties. Any parts that need to be repaired and/or replaced within the warranty period, will be handled under the manufacturer or OEM warranty terms. A return cannot be accepted, and a full credit cannot be issued.	The state is willing to accept this change.
12	VI. Technical Specifications/Z. Warranty	46	"If the repaired and/or replaced product proves to be inadequate, or fails of its essential purpose, the Contractor will refund the full amount of any payments that have been made.". Please accept that our team will work with you to repair and/or replace the defective part until the part performs as it was designed to perform no refund will be provided.	The state will accept this.