



State of West Virginia
 Department of Administration
 Purchasing Division
 2019 Washington Street East
 Post Office Box 50130
 Charleston, WV 25305-0130

Request for Quotation

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 SBUS08

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VENDOR

SHIP TO

ALL STATE AGENCIES
 AND POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS
 VARIOUS LOCALES AS INDICATED
 BY ORDER

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09/28/2007				
BID OPENING DATE: 10/22/2007		BID OPENING TIME: 01:30PM		

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*****ADDENDUM NO. 1*****						
1. QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ATTACHED. 3 PAGES						
2. EXHIBIT 10						
REQUISITION: SBUS08						
ADDENDUM ACKNOWLEDGEMENT						
I HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF THE FOLLOWING CHECKED ADDENDUM(S) AND HAVE MADE THE NECESSARY REVISIONS TO MY PROPOSAL, PLANS AND/OR SPECIFICATIONS, ETC.						
ADDENDUM NO.'S						
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I UNDERSTAND THAT FAILURE TO CONFIRM THE RECEIPT OF THE ADDENDUM(S) MAY BE CAUSE FOR REJECTION OF BIDS.						
VENDOR MUST CLEARLY UNDERSTAND THAT ANY VERBAL REPRESENTATION MADE OR ASSUMED TO BE MADE DURING ANY ORAL DISCUSSION HELD BETWEEN VENDOR'S REPRESENTATIVES AND ANY STATE PERSONNEL IN NOT BINDING. ONLY THE INFORMATION ISSUED IN WRITING AND ADDED TO THE						

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**GENERAL TERMS & CONDITIONS
REQUEST FOR QUOTATION (RFQ) AND REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)**

1. Awards will be made in the best interest of the State of West Virginia.
2. The State may accept or reject in part, or in whole, any bid.
3. All quotations are governed by the *West Virginia Code* and the *Legislative Rules* of the Purchasing Division.
4. Prior to any award, the apparent successful vendor must be properly registered with the Purchasing Division and have paid the required \$125.00 registration fee.
5. All services performed or goods delivered under State Purchase Orders/Contracts are to be continued for the term of the Purchase Order/Contract, contingent upon funds being appropriated by the Legislature or otherwise being made available. In the event funds are not appropriated or otherwise available for these services or goods, this Purchase Order/Contract becomes void and of no effect after June 30.
6. Payment may only be made after the delivery and acceptance of goods or services.
7. Interest may be paid for late payment in accordance with the *West Virginia Code*.
8. Vendor preference will be granted upon written request in accordance with the *West Virginia Code*.
9. The State of West Virginia is exempt from federal and state taxes and will not pay or reimburse such taxes.
10. The Director of Purchasing may cancel any Purchase Order/Contract upon 30 days written notice to the seller.
11. The laws of the State of West Virginia and the *Legislative Rules* of the Purchasing Division shall govern all rights and duties under the Contract, including without limitation the validity of this Purchase Order/Contract.
12. Any reference to automatic renewal is hereby deleted. The Contract may be renewed only upon mutual written agreement of the parties.
13. **BANKRUPTCY:** In the event the vendor/contractor files for bankruptcy protection, this Contract may be deemed null and void, and terminated without further order.
14. **HIPAA Business Associate Addendum** - The West Virginia State Government HIPAA Business Associate Addendum (BAA), approved by the Attorney General, and available online at the Purchasing Division's web site (<http://www.state.wv.us/admin/purchase/vrc/hipaa.htm>) is hereby made part of the agreement. Provided that, the Agency meets the definition of a Covered Entity (45 CFR §160.103) and will be disclosing Protected Health Information (45 CFR §160.103) to the vendor.

INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

1. Use the quotation forms provided by the Purchasing Division.
2. **SPECIFICATIONS:** Items offered must be in compliance with the specifications. Any deviation from the specifications must be clearly indicated by the bidder. Alternates offered by the bidder as **EQUAL** to the specifications must be clearly defined. A bidder offering an alternate should attach complete specifications and literature to the bid. The Purchasing Division may waive minor deviations to specifications.
3. Complete all sections of the quotation form.
4. Unit prices shall prevail in cases of discrepancy.
5. All quotations are considered F.O.B. destination unless alternate shipping terms are clearly identified in the quotation.
6. **BID SUBMISSION:** All quotations must be delivered by the bidder to the office listed below prior to the date and time of the bid opening. Failure of the bidder to deliver the quotations on time will result in bid disqualifications.

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Questions/Answers/New Specifications

1.	Q	Type A1: All type A1 buses are ordered with a GVWR rating. Front and rear axle sizes can not be specified. They are typically 12,000 lb, and 14,500 lb. GVW ratings for dual wheeled chassis. Type B: I suggest we eliminate this entirely. All major school bus manufacturers have stopped producing these types of buses.
	A	Type A1 are to be manufactured to the manufacturer's normal specification. Type B buses are not to be included in the specification.
2.	Q	I suggest that the requirement for the ABS automatic traction control should be remove to B, and added to item 2 and read: All air-operated brake systems shall have ABS automatic traction control and that the reference to S-cam type be removed along with the permission to use air disc brakes. If we just require air brakes it will allow for both.
	A	Air brakes are required.
3.	Q.	Remove the requirement for the engine brake, and leave this section as it was. The engine brake needs to be listed separately.
	A.	An engine brake, exhaust brake or transmission retarder must be provided.
4.	Q.	Should in BRAKES section f. read: Have at least 16 1/2" X 7" rear brake blocks.
	A.	Yes
5.	Q.	Since the vast majority of counties are ordering at least a 230 hp engine in the 77 passenger configurations, and we are already requiring the larger transmission. I suggest we move the 77 passenger to the next category requiring it to be 225 hp with 620 lb. ft. of torque. A 520 lb. ft. torque engine is not adequate for most areas of the State. We are also unsure as to the performance of the 07 emission engines using the ultra low sulfur fuel. Most engine manufacturers have already suggested we may see a slight loss of performance, and some have increased displacement sizes of their engines to help offset this.
	A.	This is a minimum requirement. Some counties may choose to use the smaller engine for improved gas mileage and not need the additional hp.
6.	Q.	Page 14, HORNS: Can an exception for item C which suggests the use of horn covers be "Exception: Unless horns are mounted in an area that protects them from road spray."
	A.	Yes

7.	Q.	Page 17, POWER AND GRADEABILITY Item 6: The unlimited requirement should be removed, and replaced with a 100,000 mile limit. This would be fair for all engine companies, and the counties. Very few buses run more than 20,000 miles per year.
	A.	This specification calls for a warranty of 100,000 miles
8.	Q.	Page 30, HEATERS, Section A. item 3 Change it to read: In addition to the requirement for evenly distributed heat, all buses 65 passenger and up will be required to have at least two under seat heaters. One shall be located behind the wheelhouse, and one heater with a minimum rating of 50K BTU shall be located midway between the wheelhouse and front heater of the bus. On lift equipped buses that can not provide a rear under seat heater, a rear wall mounted heater must be supplied. On larger lift equipped buses 53 passenger and up, a 50K BTU under seat heater shall also be required, unless prohibited by the number of wheel chair positions or tracked seats.
	A.	The performance provision requires the manufacturer to provide evenly distributed heat throughout the bus body. The manufacturer must provide heating that creates a rise of 50 degrees F. inside the body shell when the exterior ambient temperature is 0 degrees F. for 15 hours.
9.	Q.	Page 33, IDENTIFICATION : Suggest that C be changed to read: The number of the bus shall be 5" in height, in white or yellow if displayed on any black painted surface on the front of the bus. If it is displayed on any portion of the front of the bus that is painted yellow it shall be black.
	A.	Yes, the identification shall be done as the suggestion is stated.
10.	Q.	Page 44, STOP SIGNAL AND CROSSING CONTROL ARM: Can an exception be made for non-air equipped buses, and the same exception on page 45 for the crossing arm.
	A.	Yes. An exception shall be made for non-equipped buses.
11	Q.	Page 55, POWER LIFT: We need to use the FMVSS generic requirements for this to be fair to all lift manufacturers.
	A.	The bid specification as supplied with the bid document is generic and fair to all lift manufacturers.
12	Q.	Can Section B.2. be revised to state "Be equipped with a spring loaded parking and emergency brake" in lieu of draft wording "engine".
	A.	Spring loaded parking and emergency brake are acceptable.
13.	Q.	Can the daytime running lamps not operate with the ignition in the accessory position.
	A.	Yes
14	Q.	Because the bumpers have contours in their design can the exhaust be a more than 1" from the bumper?
	A.	The 1" is not an exact dimension and is meant to be a nominal 1" realizing that all buses have contours.

15.	Q.	Can the labeling for the fuel port be inside or on the exterior of the bus?
	A.	Yes, either location is fine as long as it is located within 6" of the door.
16.	Q.	Can the Stirrup Steps be an option?
	A.	Because of the safety concerns a Stirrup Step is not an option.
17.	Q.	Page 11, FENDERS, FRONT, Item 3, can the first sentence be removed so it would read: All electrical wiring between the fiberglass hood and the engine compartment shall pass through waterproof disconnect devices to facilitate removal and/or replacement of the hood.
	A.	Yes



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