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SOLICITATION AMENDMENT MODIFICATION DE L'INVITATION

The referenced document is hereby revised; unless otherwise indicated, all other terms and conditions of the Solicitation remain the same.

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Solicitation No. - N° de l'invitation W8476-195939/B	Amendment No. - N° modif. 003
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Signature	Date

1. This Solicitation Amendment 003 is raised to answer bidders' questions.

2. The following are answers to bidder questions:

Q1. Page 1 of 25, Scope 1.1

This Purchase Description covers the requirements for commuter buses with a front engine with features and accessories.

Our coaches are built with rear compartment engine. Can the PD be changed to allow for this?

A1. Yes, it's acceptable.

In Annex "B" - Purchase Description for Bus, Commuter dated 2018-06-01, Scope 1.1:

DELETE: This Purchase Description covers the requirements for commuter buses with a front engine with features and accessories.

INSERT: This Purchase Description covers the requirements for commuter buses with features and accessories.

Q2. Page 5 of 25, 3.4.3 Dimensions

(d) The vehicle must have a height of no more than 3,380 mm

Our coaches are built with the spec height of 3,500 mm. Can the PD be changed to allow for this?

A2. Yes, it's acceptable.

In Annex "B" - Purchase Description for Bus, Commuter dated 2018-06-01, Paragraph 3.4.3 (d):

DELETE: The vehicle must have a height of no more than 3,380 mm.

INSERT: The vehicle must have a height of no more than 4,150 mm.

Q3. Page 5 of 25, 3.5 Standard Vehicle (b) Vehicle Features i Windows

4. The passenger area must be provided with lower fixed glass windows and upper T-slider windows.

We respectfully request that DND accept a double glazed frame sash window – one piece window. T-Slider Windows are common on Transit buses and school buses.

A3. Not acceptable. Upper T-Slider Windows are required.

Q4. Page 5 of 25, iv Sun Visors

1. The vehicle must be provided with two rotating and pivoting interior sun visors.

As sun visors are not available on our coach, we respectfully request the acceptance of remote controlled scissor style roller blinds in lieu of sun visor for front windshield.

A4. Yes, it's acceptable.

In Annex "B" - Purchase Description for Bus, Commuter dated 2018-06-01, Paragraph 3.5 (b) iv:

DELETE: 1. The vehicle must be provided with two rotating and pivoting interior sun visors; and

INSERT: 1. The vehicle must be provided with two rotating and pivoting interior sun visors or Equivalent; and

Q5. Page 6 of 25, iv Sun Visors

2. The vehicle must be provided with a fold-down transparent tinted sun visor for the driver.

We respectfully request acceptance of a manual drivers blind to be a scissor style roller blind in lieu of fold down transparent tinted sun visor.

A5. Yes, it's acceptable.

In Annex "B" - Purchase Description for Bus, Commuter dated 2018-06-01, Paragraph 3.5(b) iv:

DELETE: 2. The vehicle must be provided with a fold-down transparent tinted sun visor for the driver.

INSERT: 2. The vehicle must be provided with a fold-down transparent tinted sun visor or Equivalent, for the driver.

Q6. Page 6 of 25, vii Parcel Racks

2. The parcel rack must be provided with mesh netting for retention of parcels.

We do not provide a mesh net and would respectfully request acceptance, in the parcel rack, of providing either retention cords or parcel rack doors in lieu of the mesh nets.

A6. Not acceptable. The mesh netting for retention of parcels is required.

Q7. Page 6 of 25, v Passenger Doors

2. The passenger access door must be a lockable bi-fold door.

We respectfully request that DND accept a locking sedan door in lieu of Bi-Fold door.

A7. Yes, it's acceptable.

In Annex "B" - Purchase Description for Bus, Commuter dated 2018-06-01, Paragraph 3.5 (b) v :

DELETE: 2. The passenger access door must be a lockable bi-fold door;

INSERT: 2. The passenger access door must be a lockable door.

Q8. Page 7 of 25, (c) Vehicle Body Structure

ii The vehicle must be provided with a light-weight engine compartment door equipped with acoustical panels to reduce engine noise.

We offer a rear engine door made of fibreglass material which meets the APTA recommended noise levels. No separate acoustical panels would be required. Can the PD be changed to allow for this?

A8. Yes, it's acceptable.

In Annex "B" - Purchase Description for Bus, Commuter dated 2018-06-01, Paragraph 3.5 (c) ii :

DELETE: The vehicle must be provided with a light-weight engine compartment door equipped with acoustical panels to reduce engine noise;

INSERT: The vehicle must be provided with a light-weight engine compartment door equipped with acoustical panels or Equivalent, to reduce engine noise.

Q9. Page 7 of 25, (c) Vehicle Body Structure

iv The passenger area must have a water resistant plywood flooring at least 15.8 mm thick.

Our standard offer is plywood floor with nominal 1/2 inch (12.7 mm) thick 5-ply exterior grade plywood. All interior panels, passenger seats, welded seat track designed for use with 1/2 inch plywood. 15.8mm thick floorboards cannot be offered. Can the PD be changed to allow for this?

A9. Yes, it's acceptable.

In Annex "B" - Purchase Description for Bus, Commuter dated 2018-06-01, Paragraph 3.5 (c) iv:

DELETE: The passenger area must have a water resistant plywood flooring at least 15.8 mm thick; and

INSERT: The passenger area must have a water resistant plywood flooring at least 12.7 mm thick.

Q10. Page 9 of 25, (h) Mirrors,

ii Each mirror must be provided with a convex mirror section, below the flat section, with an area of at least 15,000 mm² mounted.

We offer a standard mirror with the convex mirror above the flat mirror, we can also add a 3.25" convex mirror to the bottom of the mirror. Can the PD be amended to allow for this?

A10. In Annex "B" - Purchase Description for Bus, Commuter dated 2018-06-01, Paragraph 3.5 (h) ii:

DELETE: Each mirror must be provided with a convex mirror section, below the flat section, with an area of at least 15,000 mm² mounted; and

INSERT: Each mirror must be provided with a convex mirror section, that has an area of at least 15,000 mm²; and

Q11. Page 10 of 25, (k) Under Body Luggage Compartments iii Compartment Doors

1. The under body compartment must be provided with doors capable of swinging upwards at least 135° to the fully open position.

We offer pantograph vertical lift style doors - the doors lift up. We request that the pantograph door be accepted in lieu of swinging upward doors.

A11. Yes, it's acceptable.

In Annex "B" - Purchase Description for Bus, Commuter dated 2018-06-01, Paragraph 3.5(k) iii:

DELETE: 1. The under body compartment must be provided with doors capable of swinging upwards at least 135° to the fully open position;

INSERT: 1. The under body compartment must be provided with fully opening door(s), either swinging door(s) opening at least 135° or a pantograph style door(s).

Q12. Page 11 of 25, iv Compartment Lining

1. The under body compartment must be provided with a sprayed X-Box Liner.

We can offer Krown protection brand box liner spray in lieu of X-Box liner. Can the PD be changed to allow for this?

A12. Yes, it's acceptable.

In Annex "B" - Purchase Description for Bus, Commuter dated 2018-06-01, Paragraph 3.5(k) iv:

DELETE: 1. The under body compartment must be provided with a sprayed X-Box Liner; and

INSERT: 1. The under body compartment must have the interior walls and floor sprayed with a Line -X or Equivalent protective coating;

Q13. Page 12 of 25, 3.5.1 Vehicle Accessories (c) Rear Luggage Compartment

i The vehicle must be provided with a fully enclosed luggage compartment separate from the passenger area at the rear of the vehicle.

We do not provide a rear luggage compartment. Can the PD be changed to allow for this?
Our coach provides a total Luggage Compartment Volume: 285 cu ft - 8.07 cu m w/o WCL
270 cu ft - 7.65 cu m w/WCL.

A13. Yes, it's acceptable.

In Annex "B" - Purchase Description for Bus, Commuter dated 2018-06-01, Paragraph 3.5.(k):

DELETE: **Under Body Luggage Compartments**

INSERT: **Luggage Compartments**

In Annex "B" - Purchase Description for Bus, Commuter dated 2018-06-01, Paragraph 3.5.(k):

DELETE: i The vehicle **must** be provided with under body luggage compartments;
ii The under body luggage compartment **must** have curb side access;

INSERT: I The vehicle **must** be provided with luggage compartment(s) with a total volume of at least 7.90 cu m (279 cu ft);
ii The luggage compartment(s) **must** be accessible from the outside of the bus;

In Annex "B" - Purchase Description for Bus, Commuter dated 2018-06-01, Paragraph 3.5.1(c):

DELETE: **Rear Luggage Compartment**

INSERT: **Rear Luggage Compartment** (applicable only for a front engine bus)

Q14. Page 12 of 25, vii Stairs

1. The rear luggage compartment must be provided with hinged fold down stairs with handrails for access or an Equivalent.

As there is no rear baggage compartment, no hinge fold down stairs will be provided. Can the PD be changed to allow for this?

A14. Not acceptable. The rear luggage compartment must be provided with hinged fold down stairs with handrails for access or an Equivalent.

Q15. Page 13 of 25, 3.7.1 Engine Components (a) Air Filter
ii The air filter must be a replaceable dry-type with at least two-stages.

Our air filter system two stage system consists of pre-cleaner centrifugal device and then air filter canister with replaceable filter element. Does the PD allow for this and, if not, can it be changed to accommodate the type of system?

A15. Yes, It's acceptable.

Q16. Page 13 of 25, 3.7.1 Engine Components (a) Air Filter,
iii The filter must be provided with a filter restriction gauge, mounted inside the vehicle, which is visible from the driver's position.

A filter restriction gauge mounted inside and visible to driver is not available with our coach. There is a filter minder (air restriction indicator) in engine compartment that can be viewed when engine compartment door is open. Can the PD be changed to allow for this?

A16. Not acceptable. The filter must be provided with a filter restriction gauge, mounted inside the vehicle, which is visible from the driver's position.

ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THIS SOLICITATION REMAIN UNCHANGED.