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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.

Ce document est par la présente révisé; sauf indication contraire, les modalités de l'invitation demeurent les mêmes.

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Attention: - Attention :
Bobby Collison

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At - à :
2:00 PM - 14:00

On - le :30.03.2021

Time Zone - Fuseau Horaire :
Eastern Daylight Time (EDT)
Heure avancée de l'Est (HAE)

Title - Sujet BUS, SHUTTLE 21 PAX, FORWARD FACING		Amendment No. - N° modif. 001
Solicitation No. N° de l'invitation W8476-216440/A	Date of Amendment Date de modification 05.03.2021	
Address enquiries to: - Adresser toute demande de renseignements à : Bobby Collison Telephone No. - N° de telephone E-Mail Address - Courriel bobby.collison@forces.gc.ca		
Destination See herein - Voir aux présentes		

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THIS SOLICITATION AMENDMENT IS RAISED TO:

1. Provide clarification and answers to questions from potential suppliers;

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS:

Question 1	In section 3.5, g, ii the specification calls for retractable lap belts. Transport Canada changed requirements in September of 2020 to 3-point seat belts (lap/shoulder) for all forward facing seating in buses of all sizes. Unless there is an exemption for this, please confirm that the requirement should state 3-point OR lap/shoulder belts.
Answer 1	Please see amendment below to purchase description.

Question 2	In section 3.5, g, iv the specification calls for a seat width of at least 900mm. Standard seat widths area 17.5" (444.5mm) per seat, totalling 35"(889mm) per double seat assembly. Please confirm this measurement is intended for the double seat assembly.
Answer 2	Yes, the measurement of at least 900 mm is intended for the double seat assembly.

Question 3	In section 3.9, b; the specification calls for s-cam type air brakes or air disc brakes. This is contradictory to 3.9, a which states the braking system should be a hydraulic brake system. Please confirm which braking system is required.
Answer 3	Will be removed from the Purchase Description.

Question 4	In section 3.5, b, x, 6; the requirement is for a manually actuated passenger door control. Will Canada accept electrically operated passenger door controls?
Answer 4	Yes, power operated passenger door controls are acceptable.

Question 5	In section 3.5, b, e, iii, 4; the requirement states that the passenger heating system must allow use of the are under the seat in front of a passenger for their feet. If under seat heaters were to be utilized, would Canada accept a configuration where the heater is positioned as far forward under the seat as possible to allow for maximum foot room for the passenger behind? Or is there absolutely to be no interference with foot space by heaters?
Answer 5	Yes, the heater has to be positioned as far forward under the seat as possible to allow for maximum foot room for the passenger behind.

Question 6	After reviewing the specifications and understanding the type of vehicle that is requested, we would like inquire on the acceptability of an alternate vehicle type. Would Canada accept a submission of a commercial version of a school bus? This vehicle could meet a large majority of all requirements. One of the largest differences would be not having a separate driver's entry door. This vehicle would also offer the greatest body strength as compared to steel structure bodied buses with fiberglass exterior/interior skins. This vehicle would also likely be the most competitive product, from a financial standpoint. As sample picture of a commercial version of a school bus has been attached for example purposes.
Answer 6	Not acceptable. Commercial version of a school bus is not acceptable.
Question 7	In section 3.5, c, v, 2; the specification calls for marine grade plywood for a floor substructure. Would Canada accept submission that utilize a composite floor substructure in lieu of a plywood floor substructure?
Answer 7	Marine grade plywood is required for the floor substructure.
Question 8	For the requirement of familiarization training in French, would it be acceptable for the training to be done by an English speaking certified training provider along with an interpreter to translate the training into French?
Answer 8	Yes, it's acceptable.

THIS SOLICITATION IS HEREBY AMENDED AS FOLLOWS:

- 1.1 **DELETE** - ANNEX A – REQUIREMENT “ANNEX A PURCHASE DESCRIPTION FOR BUS, SHUTTLE, FORWARD FACING” - **Section 3.5 Standard Seating - Article g) – subsection ii)** - Each seat **must** be provided with a retractable lap belt assembly;
REPLACE with ANNEX A – REQUIREMENT “ANNEX A PURCHASE DESCRIPTION FOR BUS, SHUTTLE, FORWARD FACING” - **Section 3.5 Standard Seating - Article g) – subsection ii)** - Each seat **must** be provided with a 3 point retractable lap/shoulder belt assembly;
- 1.2 **DELETE** – ANNEX A – REQUIREMENT “ANNEX A PURCHASE DESCRIPTION FOR BUS, SHUTTLE, FORWARD FACING” - **Section 3.9 Hydraulic Brake System - Article b) –**
- 1.3 **DELETE** - ANNEX A – REQUIREMENT “ANNEX A PURCHASE DESCRIPTION FOR BUS, SHUTTLE, FORWARD FACING” - **Section 3.5- Article b) subsection i) Windows - Item 6)** - At least one window on either side **must** be a clearly labelled push out emergency exit window.
REPLACE with ANNEX A – REQUIREMENT “ANNEX A PURCHASE DESCRIPTION FOR BUS, SHUTTLE, FORWARD FACING” - **Section 3.5- Article b) subsection i) Windows - Item 6)** - The door **must** be manually or power actuated with the control accessible by a seated driver. The power actuated door **must** be provided with a manual emergency release;

ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS REMAIN THE SAME.