



# Bid Solicitation Update 6

## Subject: Responses to Additional Inquiries

DATE: August 17, 2016

IFB/RFP: 23000 BID OPENING DATE | TIME: August 18, 2016 | 11:00 AM

GROUP | TITLE: 40524 | SCHOOL BUSES (Statewide)

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### SOLICITATION AMENDMENTS

OGS is amending its response to Question 1 in Bid Solicitation Update 5, so that the removal of the "Auxiliary Engine Coolant Heater" from the calculation of the Total Optional Equipment Evaluation Price, and resultant Grand Total For Item, applies to ALL Lot A Items and not just Lot A, Items 2, 3, 4, & 5 as previously stated. The "Auxiliary Engine Coolant Heater" is a non-mandatory Optional Equipment for all Lot A Items. The question and amended answer are shown on page 2 of this Bid Solicitation Update.

If a bidder has already submitted their bid packet, and would like to submit a revised bid due to this Solicitation Update, any part of the bid submission that is revised must be submitted in accordance with the instructions listed in IFB Section III.4 *Bid Delivery*, and be marked "Bid Modification" on the outside of the package. The bid opening date and time remain unchanged.

All other terms and conditions of the IFB and previous Bid Solicitation Updates remain the same.

### OGS Responses to Vendor Inquiries

Q#	Solicitation Document	Document Section	Vendor Question	Referenced Clause or Specification	OGS Response
1	Attach 1: Specs & Price Pages; Lot A, Multiple Items	PART 4: <i>Optional Equipment Specifications and Pricing</i>  Auxiliary Engine Coolant Heater	<p>1. In response to Bid Solicitation Update 4 that an auxiliary engine coolant heater be offered with a separate diesel fuel tank per the specifications for the auxiliary engine coolant heater. In order to provide an auxiliary diesel fuel tank in addition to a gas tank which is the primary source on a Type A bus, the bus would have to be recertified under FMVSS crash test regulations. We have spoken with the Webasto manufacture which suggests that their model Thermo Top C be offered as an alternative. This model will work off of both gas and diesel fueled engines at 17,000 BTU. Webasto feels that 17,000 BTU is sufficient for a TYPE A bus. We are requesting that this model be allowed on the TYPE A buses. Webasto will confer with DOT that this will be sufficient; their contact is Paul Baczewski who can be reached at 810-444-7490. The concern is that if this additional diesel tank be adapted by a 3rd party other than the OEM, the OEM manufacture could void it's warranty.</p> <p>2. If the bus has to be recertified will the bid be extended for the recertification? Yes or No</p> <p>3. If this option is not offered are we able to insert N/A for this option? Please keep in mind that this type of option is not available for a TYPE A bus application.</p>	<p>Attachment 1: <i>Specifications and Price Pages</i>; Lot A PART 4: <i>Optional Equipment Specifications and Pricing</i></p> <p>Auxiliary Engine Coolant Heater: Low voltage fuel oil heater, Webasto Thermo Pro 90 or equivalent, used to preheat the engine coolant, for the purpose of reducing engine idling. Heater output shall be a minimum of 30,000 BTU/H. The heater shall be connected to the vehicle heating system using the same size and quality plumbing as the OEM Base Item. The heater shall function separately from the School Bus engine. For a School Bus that uses a fuel type other than diesel, the heater shall operate via a separate diesel fuel tank. For a diesel engine equipped School Bus, the heater shall use the same fuel tank and type of fuel supply lines as the original bus manufacturer provides.</p> <p>*****</p> <p>IFB Main Document, Section III.3 <i>Bid Pricing Submittal</i> D. <u>Optional Equipment NYS Contract Price:</u></p> <p>1. Bidder <del>shall</del><u>must</u> enter an Optional Equipment NYS Contract Price for each of the Optional Equipment listed for an Item, <u>excluding the following:</u></p> <p>a. <u>"Floor (Flat) With Recessed Wheelchair Track Throughout Entire Body" (All Items).</u></p> <p>b. <u>"Capacity - Add One (1) Row of Seating" (Lot A Items 2, 3, 4, and 5) and</u></p> <p>c. <u>"Auxiliary Engine Coolant Heater" (All Lot A Items 2, 3, 4, and 5).</u></p> <p><u>The Optional Equipment listed above in subparagraphs a, b, and c of this Paragraph 1 is not mandatory Optional Equipment, and will not be included in the calculation of the Optional Equipment NYS Contract Price. An Optional Equipment NYS Contract Price must be entered for the Optional Equipment listed above only if the Bidder shall offer that Optional Equipment under the resultant</u></p> <p>(Continued below)</p>	<p>1. OGS declines to amend the solicitation to reduce the requirement for the Auxiliary Engine Coolant Heater capacity below the level of 30,000 BTU/H.</p> <p>2. No, the Bid Opening date will not be changed. Because the Auxiliary Engine Coolant Heater is no longer a mandatory Optional Equipment for <b>all</b> Type A Items <del>2, 3, 4, and 5</del>, (see Part 3 of this answer below), a bidder may choose to not offer it for those Items. After award of IFB 23000, a Contractor may request OGS consideration of Product additions by submitting a Contract Modification Form (see Attachment 7: <i>Contract Modification Procedure</i>) to the OGS Contract Administrator identified in the Contract.</p> <p>3. Due to bidder concerns that this equipment may not be available for some Lot A Items, the IFB has been amended to make the changes indicated in the "Referenced Clause or Specification" column (see red and underlined language), to make "Auxiliary Engine Coolant Heater" non-mandatory for Lot A Items <del>2, 3, 4, and 5</del>. These amendments have not been reflected in a revised IFB document, but shall be considered to be final, required specifications when submitting a bid, as if fully set forth in the IFB. These amendments shall be incorporated in the final Contract(s) resulting from IFB 23000.</p> <p>Amendments have also been made to reflect the removal of the following Optional Equipment from the calculation of the Total Optional Equipment Evaluation Price, and resultant Grand Total For Item, as a result of OGS answers to vendor inquiries in the referenced bid solicitation updates:</p> <p>a. "Floor (Flat) With Recessed Wheelchair Track Throughout Entire Body" (see Questions 26 and 49 in the "OGS Responses to Vendor Inquiries" that was released with Bid Solicitation Update 2); and</p> <p>b. "Capacity - Add One (1) Row of Seating" (see Question 6 in Bid Solicitation Update 4).</p>

(Question 1, Continued)

Contract. Enter "Not Available" in the "Comments/Notes" Column, and "0.00" for the Optional Equipment NYS Contract Price, for any of the Optional Equipment listed above that is not available or is not being offered.

2. The Optional Equipment NYS Contract Price entered by the Bidder is based on adding to or deleting the Optional Equipment from the Base Item and the applicable Base Item NYS Contract Price. If there is no cost for the Optional Equipment, or the Optional Equipment is already included in the School Bus bid for the Base Item, enter "\$0.00." If adding or deleting the Optional Equipment results in a credit, Bidder shall enter a negative number for the Optional Equipment NYS Contract Price.
3. All Optional Equipment listed for an Item, excluding those listed in Paragraph 1 above, shall be available from the Bidder under the resultant Contracts. ***Failure to provide an Optional Equipment NYS Contract Price for one or more Optional Equipment listed for an Item, excluding the Optional Equipment listed in Paragraph 1 above, may shall result in the bid being deemed non-responsive for that individual Optional Equipment and may shall result in the disqualification of the bid for the applicable Item.***



# Bid Solicitation Update 5

## Subject: Responses to Additional Inquiries

DATE: August 16, 2016

IFB/RFP: 23000                      BID OPENING DATE | TIME: August 18, 2016                      | 11:00                      AM

GROUP | TITLE: 40524 | SCHOOL BUSES (Statewide)

### OGS DESIGNATED CONTACTS:

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### OGS RESPONSES TO BIDDER INQUIRIES:

Pursuant to IFB Section I.5 *Inquiries/Designated Contacts*, the Office of General Services (OGS) reserved the right to consider questions received after the official question and answer period has ended. OGS has elected to respond to additional inquiries and requests for clarifications that were received after the "Responses to Additional Inquiries" document was posted at <http://www.ogs.ny.gov/purchase/biddocument/23000BID.asp> on August 12, 2016. OGS responses to these inquiries are included beginning on page three of this memo.

### SOLICITATION AMENDMENTS

The IFB Main Document and Attachment 1: *Specifications and Price Pages* for the above referenced IFB has been amended to include the changes outlined in this memo. These amendments have not been reflected in revised IFB documents, but shall be considered to be final, required specifications when submitting a bid, as if fully set forth in the IFB documents. These amendments shall be incorporated in the final Contract(s) resulting from IFB 23000.

**Note: All Bidders must submit the revised Attachment 1: *Specifications and Price Pages* which was posted at <http://www.ogs.ny.gov/purchase/biddocument/23000BID.asp> on July 26, 2016, and states at the top of each tab "Attachment 1: Specifications and Price Pages (July 26, 2016)." Failure to do so shall result in the bid being deemed non-responsive and in the rejection of the bid.**

### CHANGES TO BID CALCULATIONS

The following Optional Equipment have been removed from the calculation of the Total Optional Equipment Evaluation Price, and resultant Grand Total For Item, as stated in the referenced bid solicitation updates:

1. "Floor (Flat) With Recessed Wheelchair Track Throughout Entire Body" (see Questions 26 and 49 in the "OGS Responses to Vendor Inquiries" that was released with Bid Solicitation Update 2);
2. "Capacity - Add One (1) Row of Seating" (see Question 6 in Bid Solicitation Update 4); and
3. "Auxiliary Engine Coolant Heater" (see Question 1 below in this Bid Solicitation update)

The removal of "Auxiliary Engine Coolant Heater" and "Capacity - Add One (1) Row of Seating" have not been reflected in a revised Attachment 1: *Specifications and Price Pages*. Upon receipt of each Bidder's Attachment 1: *Specifications and Price Pages*, OGS shall adjust the formula that calculates the Total Optional Equipment Evaluation Price to remove "Auxiliary Engine Coolant Heater" and "Capacity - Add One (1) Row of Seating." The revised Total Optional Equipment Evaluation Price and Grand Total For Item shall

be included on each Bidder's Bid Summary Worksheet that is published on the OGS website (see IFB Section III.6 *Electronic Bid Opening Results*).

**BIDDER ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF SOLICITATION UPDATES:**

All Bidders must acknowledge receipt and agreement to all IFB amendments by answering "yes" to Question #14 on Attachment 2: *Bid Documents (Electronic)*, Section A: *Bid Submittal Checklist*.

All other terms and conditions of the IFB remain the same.

### OGS Responses to Vendor Inquiries

Q#	Solicitation Document	Document Section	Vendor Question	Referenced Clause or Specification	OGS Response
1	Attach 1: Specs & Price Pages; Lot A, Multiple Items	PART 4: <i>Optional Equipment Specifications and Pricing</i>  Auxiliary Engine Coolant Heater	<p>1. In response to Bid Solicitation Update 4 that an auxiliary engine coolant heater be offered with a separate diesel fuel tank per the specifications for the auxiliary engine coolant heater. In order to provide an auxiliary diesel fuel tank in addition to a gas tank which is the primary source on a Type A bus, the bus would have to be recertified under FMVSS crash test regulations. We have spoken with the Webasto manufacture which suggests that their model Thermo Top C be offered as an alternative. This model will work off of both gas and diesel fueled engines at 17,000 BTU. Webasto feels that 17,000 BTU is sufficient for a TYPE A bus. We are requesting that this model be allowed on the TYPE A buses. Webasto will confer with DOT that this will be sufficient; their contact is Paul Baczewski who can be reached at 810-444-7490. The concern is that if this additional diesel tank be adapted by a 3rd party other than the OEM, the OEM manufacture could void it's warranty.</p> <p>2. If the bus has to be recertified will the bid be extended for the recertification? Yes or No</p> <p>3. If this option is not offered are we able to insert N/A for this option? Please keep in mind that this type of option is not available for a TYPE A bus application.</p>	<p>Attachment 1: <i>Specifications and Price Pages</i>; Lot A PART 4: <i>Optional Equipment Specifications and Pricing</i></p> <p>Auxiliary Engine Coolant Heater: Low voltage fuel oil heater, Webasto Thermo Pro 90 or equivalent, used to preheat the engine coolant, for the purpose of reducing engine idling. Heater output shall be a minimum of 30,000 BTU/H. The heater shall be connected to the vehicle heating system using the same size and quality plumbing as the OEM Base Item. The heater shall function separately from the School Bus engine. For a School Bus that uses a fuel type other than diesel, the heater shall operate via a separate diesel fuel tank. For a diesel engine equipped School Bus, the heater shall use the same fuel tank and type of fuel supply lines as the original bus manufacturer provides.</p> <p>*****</p> <p>IFB Main Document, Section III.3 <i>Bid Pricing Submittal</i> D. <u>Optional Equipment NYS Contract Price:</u></p> <p>1. Bidder <del>shall</del><u>must</u> enter an Optional Equipment NYS Contract Price for each of the Optional Equipment listed for an Item, <u>excluding the following:</u></p> <p>a. <u>"Floor (Flat) With Recessed Wheelchair Track Throughout Entire Body" (All Items).</u></p> <p>b. <u>"Capacity - Add One (1) Row of Seating" (Lot A Items 2, 3, 4, and 5) and</u></p> <p>c. <u>"Auxiliary Engine Coolant Heater" (Lot A Items 2, 3, 4, and 5).</u></p> <p><u>The Optional Equipment listed above in subparagraphs a, b, and c of this Paragraph 1 is not mandatory Optional Equipment, and will not be included in the calculation of the Optional Equipment NYS Contract Price. An Optional Equipment NYS Contract Price must be entered for the Optional Equipment listed above only if the Bidder shall offer that Optional Equipment under the resultant</u></p> <p>(Continued below)</p>	<p>1. OGS declines to amend the solicitation to reduce the requirement for the Auxiliary Engine Coolant Heater capacity below the level of 30,000 BTU/H.</p> <p>2. No, the Bid Opening date will not be changed. Because the Auxiliary Engine Coolant Heater is no longer a mandatory Optional Equipment for Type A Items 2, 3, 4, and 5, (see Part 3 of this answer below), a bidder may choose to not offer it for those Items. After award of IFB 23000, a Contractor may request OGS consideration of Product additions by submitting a Contract Modification Form (see Attachment 7: <i>Contract Modification Procedure</i>) to the OGS Contract Administrator identified in the Contract.</p> <p>3. Due to bidder concerns that this equipment may not be available for some Lot A Items, the IFB has been amended to make the changes indicated in the "Referenced Clause or Specification" column (see red and underlined language), to make "Auxiliary Engine Coolant Heater" non-mandatory for Lot A Items 2, 3, 4, and 5. These amendments have not been reflected in a revised IFB document, but shall be considered to be final, required specifications when submitting a bid, as if fully set forth in the IFB. These amendments shall be incorporated in the final Contract(s) resulting from IFB 23000.</p> <p>Amendments have also been made to reflect the removal of the following Optional Equipment from the calculation of the Total Optional Equipment Evaluation Price, and resultant Grand Total For Item, as a result of OGS answers to vendor inquiries in the referenced bid solicitation updates:</p> <p>a. "Floor (Flat) With Recessed Wheelchair Track Throughout Entire Body" (see Questions 26 and 49 in the "OGS Responses to Vendor Inquiries" that was released with Bid Solicitation Update 2); and</p> <p>b. "Capacity - Add One (1) Row of Seating" (see Question 6 in Bid Solicitation Update 4).</p>

(Question 1, Continued)

Contract. Enter "Not Available" in the "Comments/Notes" Column, and "0.00" for the Optional Equipment NYS Contract Price, for any of the Optional Equipment listed above that is not available or is not being offered.

2. The Optional Equipment NYS Contract Price entered by the Bidder is based on adding to or deleting the Optional Equipment from the Base Item and the applicable Base Item NYS Contract Price. If there is no cost for the Optional Equipment, or the Optional Equipment is already included in the School Bus bid for the Base Item, enter "\$0.00." If adding or deleting the Optional Equipment results in a credit, Bidder shall enter a negative number for the Optional Equipment NYS Contract Price.
3. All Optional Equipment listed for an Item, excluding those listed in Paragraph 1 above, shall be available from the Bidder under the resultant Contracts. ***Failure to provide an Optional Equipment NYS Contract Price for one or more Optional Equipment listed for an Item, excluding the Optional Equipment listed in Paragraph 1 above, may shall result in the bid being deemed non-responsive for that individual Optional Equipment and may shall result in the disqualification of the bid for the applicable Item.***

Q#	Solicitation Document	Document Section	Vendor Question	Referenced Clause or Specification	OGS Response
2	Attach 1: Specs & Price Pages; Lot A, Multiple Items	PART 4: <i>Optional Equipment Specifications and Pricing</i>  Auxiliary Engine Coolant Heater	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Because the bus has to have another fuel tank added to the bus the bus will now have to be re-certified with a crash test per FMVSS 301, per the manufacture we represent. If the bus has to be recertified will the bid be extended for the recertification? Yes or No</li> <li>2. Currently there is not a TYPE A bus on the market that has any type of auxiliary fuel tank. Does this auxiliary fuel tank need to be caged? If so to what specification?</li> <li>3. Also we will need assurance that NYSDOT will pass this bus without a cage around the auxiliary fuel tank</li> <li>4. Will DOT require the same certification tags on it during a DOT inspection as the standard OEM tanks?</li> </ol>	<p>Attachment 1: <i>Specifications and Price Pages</i>; Lot A PART 4: <i>Optional Equipment Specifications and Pricing</i></p> <p>Auxiliary Engine Coolant Heater: Low voltage fuel oil heater, Webasto Thermo Pro 90 or equivalent, used to preheat the engine coolant, for the purpose of reducing engine idling. Heater output shall be a minimum of 30,000 BTU/H. The heater shall be connected to the vehicle heating system using the same size and quality plumbing as the OEM Base Item. The heater shall function separately from the School Bus engine. For a School Bus that uses a fuel type other than diesel, the heater shall operate via a separate diesel fuel tank. For a diesel engine equipped School Bus, the heater shall use the same fuel tank and type of fuel supply lines as the original bus manufacturer provides.</p> <p>*****</p> <p>IFB Main Document, V.8 <i>Replacement Product and Product Additions</i> B. The State may permit the Contractor to add School Buses, <u>and</u> additional fuel type Base Items, <u>and Optional Equipment</u> to the Contract Pricelist during the life of the Contract. Such Product additions shall be limited to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Additional fuel types, (e.g., LPG, CNG, hybrid), for an OEM Chassis Model/Body Model combination awarded to the Contractor for an Item;</li> <li>2. OEM Chassis Model/Body Model combinations that have not previously been awarded for an Item to any Contractor. Product additions must meet the minimum requirements and specifications of IFB 23000; <u>and</u></li> <li>3. <u>Optional Equipment not previously awarded to the Contractor for an Item.</u></li> </ol> <p>A Contractor may request OGS consideration of Product additions by submitting a Contract Modification Form (see Attachment 7: <i>Contract Modification Procedure</i>) to the OGS Contract Administrator identified in the Contract.</p>	<p>The IFB has been amended to make the changes indicated in Paragraph A of the "Referenced Clause or Specification" column (see red and underlined language). These amendments have not been reflected in a revised IFB document, but shall be considered to be final, required specifications when submitting a bid, as if fully set forth in the IFB. These amendments shall be incorporated in the final Contract(s) resulting from IFB 23000. See also Question 7 in the "OGS Responses to Vendor Inquiries" that was released with Bid Solicitation Update 2, for previous amendments to IFB Main Document, V.8 <i>Replacement Product and Product Additions</i>.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. In accordance with IFB Section V.2.1 <i>Standards, Codes, Rules, and Regulations</i>, the School Bus must comply with FMVSS requirements. OGS and DOT do not have the authority to confirm whether or not retesting will be required.</li> </ol> <p>The Bid Opening date will not be extended if the School Bus has to be recertified in order to offer this Optional Equipment. Because the Auxiliary Engine Coolant Heater is no longer a mandatory Optional Equipment for Type A Items 2, 3, 4, and 5, (see Part 3 of the answer to Question 1 above), a bidder may choose to not offer it for those Items. After award of IFB 23000, a Contractor may request OGS consideration of Product additions by submitting a Contract Modification Form (see Attachment 7: <i>Contract Modification Procedure</i>) to the OGS Contract Administrator identified in the Contract.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2. In accordance with IFB Section V.2.1 <i>Standards, Codes, Rules, and Regulations</i>, the School Bus must comply with FMVSS requirements. OGS and DOT do not have the authority to confirm that a fuel tank cage will be required compliance with FMVSS requirements.</li> <li>3. See OGS answer to Part 2 of this Question above. NYS DOT Passenger Carrier Safety Bureau shall issue a "Regular Certificate of Inspection" in accordance with IFB Section V.2.10 <i>NYS Inspections</i>, only for School Buses that meet all applicable FMVSS standards.</li> <li>4. Yes, DOT will require the same certification tags on the fuel tank included with the "Auxiliary Engine Coolant Heater" during a DOT inspection as the standard OEM tanks.</li> </ol>

Q#	Solicitation Document	Document Section	Vendor Question	Referenced Clause or Specification	OGS Response
3	IFB Main Document	I.12 Definitions	We are developing a Type A school bus for categories A-1 SRW & A-2 DRW, and wanted to know if a unitized type construction will fit in the Type A definition as it is at this time. Would this be considered as a van body with roof and window conversion ? If not, can this be added prior to bid opening ?	IFB Main Document, Section I.12 <i>Definitions</i>  "Type A" shall mean a conversion School Bus constructed using a cutaway front-section, <del>or</del> van body with roof and window conversion, <u>or unitized construction</u> vehicle, with a left side driver's door. This definition includes two classifications: Type A-1, with a GVWR of 10,000 pounds or less; and Type A-2, with a GVWR equal to or greater than 10,001 pounds and less than or equal to 21,500 pounds.	The IFB has been amended to make the changes indicated in Paragraph A of the "Referenced Clause or Specification" column (see red and underlined language). These amendments have not been reflected in a revised IFB document, but shall be considered to be final, required specifications when submitting a bid, as if fully set forth in the IFB. These amendments shall be incorporated in the final Contract(s) resulting from IFB 23000.



# Bid Solicitation Update 4

## Subject: Responses to Additional Inquiries

DATE: August 12, 2016

IFB/RFP: 23000      BID OPENING DATE | TIME: August 18, 2016      | 11:00 AM

GROUP | TITLE: 40524 | SCHOOL BUSES (Statewide)

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### SOLICITATION AMENDMENTS

The IFB Main Document and Attachment 1: *Specifications and Price Pages* for the above referenced IFB has been amended to include the changes outlined beginning on page two of this memo. These amendments have not been reflected in revised IFB documents, but shall be considered to be final, required specifications when submitting a bid, as if fully set forth in the IFB documents. These amendments shall be incorporated in the final Contract(s) resulting from IFB 23000.

**Note: All Bidders must submit the revised Attachment 1: *Specifications and Price Pages* which was posted at <http://www.ogs.ny.gov/purchase/biddocument/23000BID.asp> on July 26, 2016, and states at the top of each tab "Attachment 1: Specifications and Price Pages (July 26, 2016)." Failure to do so shall result in the bid being deemed non-responsive and in the rejection of the bid.**

### BIDDER ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF SOLICITATION UPDATES:

All Bidders must acknowledge receipt and agreement to all IFB amendments by answering "yes" to Question #14 on Attachment 2: *Bid Documents (Electronic)*, Section A: *Bid Submittal Checklist*.

All other terms and conditions of the IFB remain the same.

<b>OGS Responses to Vendor Inquiries</b>					
Q#	Solicitation Document	Document Section	Vendor Question	Referenced Clause or Specification	OGS Response
1	IFB Main Document	I.12 <i>Definitions</i>	Can OGS modify the Type A definition for the following :“Type A” shall mean a conversion School Bus constructed using a cutaway front-section vehicle with a left side driver’s door ADD (or a unitized type construction). This definition includes two classifications: Type A-1, with a GVWR of 10,000 pounds or less; and Type A-2, with a GVWR equal to or greater than 10,001 pounds and less than or equal to 21,500 pounds.	IFB Main Document, Section I.12 <i>Definitions</i>  “Type A” shall mean a conversion School Bus constructed using a cutaway front-section <u>or van body with roof and window conversion</u> vehicle with a left side driver’s door. This definition includes two classifications: Type A-1, with a GVWR of 10,000 pounds or less; and Type A-2, with a GVWR equal to or greater than 10,001 pounds and less than or equal to 21,500 pounds.	The definition of Type A in the IFB Main Document has been amended to include the changes indicated in the “Referenced Clause or Specification” column (see red and underlined language).These amendments have not been reflected in a revised IFB Main Document, but shall be considered to be final, required specifications when submitting a bid, as if fully set forth in the IFB Main Document. These amendments shall be incorporated in the final Contract(s) resulting from IFB 23000.
2	IFB Main Document	I.12 <i>Definitions</i>	Can OGS modify the Type C definition for EV for the following : “Type C” shall mean a School Bus with a Body installed upon a cowl and Chassis constructed using a chassis with a hood and front fender assembly. All of the engine is in front of the windshield and the entrance door is behind the front wheels ADD (EV electric motor can be either in front or behind rear axle). This is also known as a conventional school bus. This type also includes the cutaway truck chassis or truck chassis with cab, with or without a left side door, and with a GVWR greater than 16,000 pounds.	IFB Main Document, Section I.12 <i>Definitions</i>  “Type C” shall mean a School Bus with a Body installed upon a cowl and Chassis constructed using a chassis with a hood and front fender assembly. <u>If the School Bus includes an internal combustion engine,</u> all of the engine is in front of the windshield and the entrance door is behind the front wheels. This is also known as a conventional school bus. This type also includes the cutaway truck chassis or truck chassis with cab, with or without a left side door, and with a GVWR greater than 16,000 pounds.	The definition of Type C in the IFB Main Document has been amended to include the changes indicated in the “Referenced Clause or Specification” column (see red and underlined language).These amendments have not been reflected in a revised IFB Main Document, but shall be considered to be final, required specifications when submitting a bid, as if fully set forth in the IFB Main Document. These amendments shall be incorporated in the final Contract(s) resulting from IFB 23000.  The definition of Type C does not include a reference to the location of the electric motor(s) for an EV School Bus. Therefore, any electric motor location offered will be considered by OGS.

Q#	Solicitation Document	Document Section	Vendor Question	Referenced Clause or Specification	OGS Response
3	IFB Main Document	I.12 <i>Definitions</i>	Can OGS modify the Type D definition for the following : "Type D" shall mean a School Bus with a Body installed upon a Chassis or unitized type construction, with the engine mounted in the front or rear with a GVWR of greater than 16,000 pounds and designed to carry more than 10 persons. The engine may be behind the windshield and beside the driver's seat; it may be at the rear of the bus, behind the rear wheels ADD (EV electric motor can be either in front or behind rear axle). The entrance door is ahead of the front wheels.	IFB Main Document, Section I.12 <i>Definitions</i>  "Type D" shall mean a School Bus with a Body installed upon a Chassis or unitized type construction, <del>with the engine mounted in the front or rear</del> with a GVWR of greater than 16,000 pounds and designed to carry more than 10 persons. <del>If the School Bus includes an internal combustion engine,</del> the engine may be behind the windshield and beside the driver's seat; it may be at the rear of the bus, behind the rear wheels. The entrance door is ahead of the front wheels.	The definition of Type D in the IFB Main Document has been amended to include the changes indicated in the "Referenced Clause or Specification" column (see red and underlined language). These amendments have not been reflected in a revised IFB Main Document, but shall be considered to be final, required specifications when submitting a bid, as if fully set forth in the IFB Main Document. These amendments shall be incorporated in the final Contract(s) resulting from IFB 23000.  The definition of Type D does not include a reference to the location of the electric motor(s) for an EV School Bus. Therefore, any electric motor location offered will be considered by OGS.
4	Attach 1: Specs & Price Pages; LOT C (Item 1)	Part 4: <i>Optional Equipment Specifications and Pricing Tires (All-Season)</i>	Our Manufacturer does not offer All Season tires for Type C and D buses. When we enter "NOT AVAILABLE" in column H for this option on the Price Pages the sheet does not calculate the total Optional Equipment Price. Please advise how to address this issue so that we may be deemed a responsible bidder.	Attachment 1: <i>Specifications and Price Pages</i> ; LOT C & D PART 4: <i>Optional Equipment Specifications and Pricing</i>  Tires (Snow): Snow tread tires shall be provided on all drive wheels. Tires shall be Federal class D/A, STC (with snow traction capability), or class S/T, or A/T, AP with STC, or other class with STC. The price entered for this Optional Equipment shall be for four (4) tires. Tires furnished on the rear wheels shall be the same size and adequate for axle's GAWR.  Tires (All-Season): All-season tread, tubeless, radial tires having a Federal class designation S/T or STC shall be provided. Tires shall be Michelin XDS, XDS-2, XZY3, or Compatible Equivalent. The price entered for this Optional Equipment shall be for six (6) tires. Tires furnished on the rear wheels shall be the same size and adequate for axle's GAWR.	IFB Section I.12 <i>Defintions</i> states that all Optional Equipment "...must be available from the Bidder..." This does not require that the supplier be the Chassis OEM or Body OEM. Optional equipment may be obtained by the bidder from a third party, provided that it is included on the bidder-published price list.

Q#	Solicitation Document	Document Section	Vendor Question	Referenced Clause or Specification	OGS Response
5	Attach 1: Specs & Price Pages; Multiple Items	PART 4: <i>Optional Equipment Specifications and Pricing</i> Auxiliary Engine Coolant Heater All Lot A Items	Auxiliary Engine Coolant Heater - The Webasto Thermo Pro 90 is not available in a Gasoline option. The Only Webasto product available in a Gasoline option is the Thermo Top C but that is only 17,000 BTU. Neither Espar or ProHeat offer a Gasoline option heater. In the latest release of Responses to Vendor Inquires dated 8/10/16 you reduced the specification from 40,000 to 30,000 and not 17,000 as requested. Obviously there must be a specific unit that you know will meet your specification. Can you please name that equipment in place of the Webasto Thermo Pro 90 which can not meet the specification.	Attachment 1: <i>Specifications and Price Pages</i> ; Lot A PART 4: <i>Optional Equipment Specifications and Pricing</i> Auxiliary Engine Coolant Heater: Low voltage fuel oil heater, Webasto Thermo Pro 90 or equivalent, used to preheat the engine coolant, for the purpose of reducing engine idling. Heater output shall be a minimum of 30,000 BTU/H. The heater shall be connected to the vehicle heating system using the same size and quality plumbing as the OEM Base Item. The heater shall function separately from the School Bus engine. For a School Bus that uses a fuel type other than diesel, the heater shall operate via a separate diesel fuel tank. For a diesel engine equipped School Bus, the heater shall use the same fuel tank and type of fuel supply lines as the original bus manufacturer provides.	Only diesel fueled auxiliary engine coolant heaters will be allowed for the purposes of this contract. Any School Bus offered with a propulsion method other than diesel will be required to have installed a separate diesel fuel tank as per the quoted specifications in the Referenced Clause or Specification column.

Q#	Solicitation Document	Document Section	Vendor Question	Referenced Clause or Specification	OGS Response
6	Attach 1: Specs & Price Pages; Multiple Items	Lot A, Items 2, 3, 4, & 5	In Part 2 of all Lot A items there is a request for "Additional Body Section NYS Contract Price" that was modified from the original release documents to include the option to offer a price of "Not Available". However in Part 4 there is a request for "Capacity - Add One (1) Row of Seating" that reads "Add one (1) row of seating to an Additional Body Section that has been added to the Base Item". If in Part 2 we offer "Not Available" would we then provide a price on Part 4 of \$0.00	Attachment 1: <i>Specifications and Price Pages</i> ; Lot A PART 4: <i>Optional Equipment Specifications and Pricing</i> Capacity - Add One (1) Row of Seating: Add one (1) row of seating to an Additional Body Section that has been added to the Base Item.	<p>For an Item for which the bidder is unable to offer an Additional Body Section, the bidder is instructed to enter No in the "Spec Met" column, enter "Not Available" in the "Spec for Equipment Provided" column, and also enter a price of 0.00 in the "Optional Equipment NYS Contract Price" column for the Optional Equipment category "Capacity - Add One (1) Row of Seating".</p> <p>The Optional Equipment NYS Contract Price for the Optional Equipment Capacity - Add One (1) Row of Seating will not be used in calculating the Total Optional Equipment Evaluation Price. This amendment has not been reflected in a revised Attachment 1: Specifications and Price Pages, but shall be considered to be a part of that document when submitting a bid, as if fully set forth in Attachment 1: Specifications and Price Pages. These amendments shall be incorporated in the final Contract(s) resulting from IFB 23000.</p> <p>See also Question 25 of the Bid Inquiries and Responses document posted on July 11, 2016 to the web site <a href="http://ogs.ny.gov/purchase/biddocument/23000BID.ASP">http://ogs.ny.gov/purchase/biddocument/23000BID.ASP</a>.</p>



# Bid Solicitation Update 3

## Subject: Responses to Additional Inquiries

DATE: August 10, 2016

IFB/RFP: 23000 BID OPENING DATE | TIME: August 18, 2016 | 11:00 AM

GROUP | TITLE: 40524 | SCHOOL BUSES (Statewide)

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### OGS RESPONSES TO BIDDER INQUIRIES:

Pursuant to IFB Section I.5 *Inquiries/Designated Contacts*, the Office of General Services (OGS) reserved the right to consider questions received after the official question and answer period has ended. OGS has elected to respond to additional inquiries and requests for clarifications that were received after the "OGS Responses to Vendor Inquiries" document was posted at <http://www.ogs.ny.gov/purchase/biddocument/23000BID.asp> on July 26, 2016. OGS responses to these inquiries are included beginning on page two of this memo.

### SOLICITATION AMENDMENTS

The Attachment 1: *Specifications and Price Pages* for the above referenced IFB has been amended to include the changes outlined beginning on page two of this memo. These amendments have not been reflected in revised IFB documents, but shall be considered to be final, required specifications when submitting a bid, as if fully set forth in the IFB documents. These amendments shall be incorporated in the final Contract(s) resulting from IFB 23000.

**Note: All Bidders must submit the revised Attachment 1: *Specifications and Price Pages* which was posted at <http://www.ogs.ny.gov/purchase/biddocument/23000BID.asp> on July 26, 2016, and states at the top of each tab "Attachment 1: Specifications and Price Pages (July 26, 2016)." Failure to do so shall result in the bid being deemed non-responsive and in the rejection of the bid.**

### BIDDER ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF SOLICITATION UPDATES:

All Bidders must acknowledge receipt and agreement to all IFB amendments by answering "yes" to Question #14 on Attachment 2: *Bid Documents (Electronic)*, Section A: *Bid Submittal Checklist*.

All other terms and conditions of the IFB remain the same.

### OGS Responses to Vendor Inquiries

Q#	Solicitation Document	Document Section	Vendor Question	Referenced Clause or Specification	OGS Response
1	Attach 1: Specs & Price Pages; LOT A (Item 2)	PART 4: <i>Optional Equipment Specifications and Pricing</i>  Auxiliary Engine Coolant Heater	I request that for type A Gasoline engine buses that you reduce the btu requirement to 17,000btu in order to be able to bid equipment that is available for this application	Attachment 1: <i>Specifications and Price Pages</i> ; Lot A PART 4: <i>Optional Equipment Specifications and Pricing</i> Auxiliary Engine Coolant Heater: Low voltage fuel oil heater, <u>Webasto Thermo Pro 90 or equivalent</u> , used to preheat the engine coolant, for the purpose of reducing engine idling. Heater output shall be a minimum of <del>40,000</del> <u>30,000</u> BTU/H. The heater shall be connected to the vehicle heating system using the same size and quality plumbing as the OEM Base Item. The heater shall function separately from the School Bus engine. For a School Bus that uses a fuel type other than diesel, the heater shall operate via a separate diesel fuel tank. For a diesel engine equipped School Bus, the heater shall use the same fuel tank and type of fuel supply lines as the original bus manufacturer provides.	The specifications included in Attachment 1: <i>Specifications and Price Pages</i> (Revised 07/26/2016) have been amended to include the changes indicated in the “Referenced Clause or Specification” column (see red and underlined language). These amendments have not been reflected in a revised Attachment 1: <i>Specifications and Price Pages</i> , but shall be considered to be final, required specifications when submitting a bid, as if fully set forth in Attachment 1: <i>Specifications and Price Pages</i> . These amendments shall be incorporated in the final Contract(s) resulting from IFB 23000.
2	Attach 1: Specs & Price Pages; LOT A (Item 2)	PART 4: <i>Optional Equipment Specifications and Pricing</i>  Auxiliary Engine Coolant Heater	I request that for type A Gasoline engine buses that you change the requirement of a separate diesel fuel tank and allow the heater to be supplied via the OEM gas tank utilizing the OEM pickup supplied by the manufacturer	Attachment 1: <i>Specifications and Price Pages</i> ; LOT A PART 4: <i>Optional Equipment Specifications and Pricing</i> <u>See Question 1 for referenced specification and amendments.</u>	OGS declines to amend the solicitation to remove the requirement for a separate diesel fuel tank and allow the Auxiliary Engine Coolant Heater to be fueled by the Chassis OEM gasoline fuel tank.

Q#	Solicitation Document	Document Section	Vendor Question	Referenced Clause or Specification	OGS Response
3	Attach 1: Specs & Price Pages; LOT A (Item 2)	PART 4: <i>Optional Equipment Specifications and Pricing</i>  Auxiliary Engine Coolant Heater	After receiving the OGS Respons to Vendors original questions concerning the Optional Equipment listing of Auxiliary Engine Coolant Heater we have been doing extensive research. We believe there is no chassis or body OEM option available for this on a Gasoline engine. Additionally, the OGS response to add "a seperate diesel fuel tank" would require new crash testing as a new fuel system is being added. We believe that this Optional Equipment listing should be removed from all Lot A Items.	Attachment 1: <i>Specifications and Price Pages</i> ; LOT A PART 4: <i>Optional Equipment Specifications and Pricing</i> <u>See Question 1 for referenced specification and amendments.</u>	OGS declines to amend the solicitation to remove the requirement for a separate diesel fuel tank and allow the Auxiliary Engine Coolant Heater to be fueled by the Chassis OEM gasoline fuel tank. Please note that Optional Equipment may be provided by third party vendors in addition to the Chassis OEM or Body OEM.
4	IFB Main Document	III.6 <i>Electronic Bid Opening Results</i>	What is expected to happen at the bid opening should I attend? Will the bids be opened from all bidders and their submission numbers shared with everyone?	IFB Main Document, Section III.6 <i>Electronic Bid Opening Results</i> 1. Procurement Services posts bid results on the OGS/ Procurement Services web page. The web page makes available bids (i.e., the IFB Cover Page and the Bid Summary worksheet of Attachment 1: Specifications and Price Pages) received by Procurement Services for scheduled bid openings. Previously only available through Freedom of Information, such information is anticipated to be available online within two (2) Business Days after the bid opening. The Bid Opening Results Page is available at: <a href="http://www.ogs.ny.gov/purchase/bidresults/bidresults.asp">http://www.ogs.ny.gov/purchase/bidresults/bidresults.asp</a>	At the bid opening, OGS will open each bid submission and verbally announce the company name of each bidder. Pricing information submitted by each Bidder shall not be shared at the bid opening.  As stated in IFB Section III.6 <i>Electronic Bid Opening Results</i> , OGS will publish the IFB Cover Page and the Bid Summary worksheets of each bidder online within two (2) Business Days after the bid opening.

Q#	Solicitation Document	Document Section	Vendor Question	Referenced Clause or Specification	OGS Response
5	Attach 1: Specs & Price Pages; LOT A, Multiple Items	PART 2: Enter Pricing for the Base Item, Additional Body Section, and Additional Options	We are expecting to bid on multiple items in Lot A. We were preparing our bid to offer a certain discount based on our Body MSRP. The Chevy & Ford published lists don't allow us to offer as big a discount as we were planning. However our body manufacturer does have a version of both the Chevy and Ford's Option Listing with different pricing that would allow us to offer the same discount for both Body & Chassis components. Is it acceptable to submit our Body Manufacturers version of the Chevy and Ford's Option Listings or do you require the chassis manufacturer's version?	<p>Attachment 1: Specifications and Price Pages; LOT A                      PART 2: Enter Pricing for the Base Item, Additional Body Section, and Additional Options                      Additional Options NYS Discount: Enter the minimum percentage amount that shall be deducted from the MSRP for all Additional Options purchased under the Contract for this Item (see IFB Section V.1.2 Additional Options Price).</p> <p>IFB Main Document, Section V.1.2 Additional Options Price B. The Additional Options NYS Discount shall be applied to the MSRP on the current Chassis OEM Data Book or Contractor-Published Pricelist, as applicable, to yield the NYS Contract Price, as follows:</p> <p>2. Chassis. The Additional Options NYS Discount shall be applied to the MSRP included on the Chassis OEM Data Book. If the Additional Options offered are not offered directly from the OEM, then the Additional Options NYS Discount shall be applied to the MSRP included on the Contractor-Published Pricelist;</p> <p>Body. The Additional Options NYS Discount shall be applied to the MSRP included on the Contractor-Published Pricelist;</p>	<p>OGS declines to amend the solicitation to allow the Additional Options NYS Discount for a Chassis Additional Option to be applied to an MSRP included on a Body OEM Data Book or Contractor-Published Pricelist.</p> <p>IFB Section V.1.2 Additional Options Price Paragraph B, has been revised to include the changes indicated in the "Referenced Clause or Specification" column (see red and underlined language). These amendments have not been reflected in revised IFB documents, but shall be considered to be final terms and conditions and required specifications when submitting a bid, as if fully set forth in the IFB documents. These amendments shall be incorporated in the final Contract(s) resulting from IFB 23000.</p> <p>Also, please note that although the Bidder is required to provide a single Additional Options NYS Discount for each Item bid, during the Contract term it would be permissible to offer Additional Options for an individual Authorized User purchase at a greater discount than the Additional Options NYS Discount that is set forth in the Contract.</p>

Q#	Solicitation Document	Document Section	Vendor Question	Referenced Clause or Specification	OGS Response
6	IFB Main Document	III.2 <i>Bid Format and Content</i> , Paragraph A, Section 5	<p>With all Lot A items being based on a Gasoline offering and all Lot C&amp;D items being based on a Diesel offering I wanted to confirm how to submit supporting documentation. For instance we plan on bidding on Lot A, 5-G (A-5-G). We are also planning on bidding a LPG offering for that Item. For clarity when submitting supporting documentation, like the Build Sheet and Drawing for the LPG option, I intend to identify it by Lot A, 5-LPG (A-5-LPG), If you prefer a different naming structure please advise.</p>	<p>IFB Main Document, Section III.2 <i>Bid Format and Content</i>, Paragraph A, Section 5                      Additional Supporting Information. For each Item bid, an electronic (on CD) version of the documents listed below.</p> <p>a) Build Sheet(s). A Build Sheet, as defined in Section I.12 Definitions. Failure to provide a Build Sheet for a Base Item shall result in the bid being deemed non-responsive for that individual Base Item and shall result in the disqualification of the bid for the applicable Item;</p> <p>b) OEM Data Book(s). OEM Data Book(s), as defined in Section I.12 Definitions, for the Chassis Model offered; and</p> <p>c) Bidder-Published Pricelist(s). Bidder-Published Pricelist(s), as defined in Section I.12 Definitions (see “Contractor-Published Pricelist”), for the Body Model offered.</p>	<p>As stated in the IFB Main Document, Section III.2 <i>Bid Format and Content</i>, Paragraph A, Section 5, the documentation specified is required for each Base Item offered. Because each alternate fuel School Bus offered is a separate Base Item, the Additional Supporting Information for each fuel type is required. The naming convention suggested (e.g. “Lot A, Item 5-LPG”) is preferred.</p>



# Bid Solicitation Update 2

## Subject: Responses to Inquiries and Solicitation Updates

DATE: July 26, 2016

IFB/RFP: 23000                      BID OPENING DATE | TIME: August 18, 2016                      | 11:00                      AM

GROUP | TITLE: 40524 | SCHOOL BUSES (Statewide)

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### UPDATE TO BID SUBMISSION INFORMATION:

The Bid Opening date for this solicitation has been changed to August 18, 2016 at 11:00am ET.

### OGS RESPONSES TO BIDDER INQUIRIES:

The Office of General of General Services has given careful consideration to the inquiries and requests for clarifications that were received during the inquiry period (i.e., by June 30, 2016 or that were posed at the Pre-bid conference held June 23, 2016, or that were submitted post-Pre bid conference). Responses to all inquiries are included on the "OGS Responses to Vendor Inquiries" document which is posted with this memo at: <http://www.ogs.ny.gov/purchase/biddocument/23000BID.asp>.

### SOLICITATION AMENDMENTS

The above referenced IFB has been amended to include the changes outlined in the "OGS Responses to Vendor Inquiries" document (see red and underlined language in the "Referenced Clause or Specification Column). Amendments are reflected in the IFB main document, Attachment 1 *Specifications and Price Pages*, Attachment 2 *Bid Documents (Electronic)* and Attachment 3 *Bid Documents (Paper)*.

In order for vendors to more clearly see the amendments to the IFB main document, two (2) versions of the IFB main document have been posted, one labeled "Redline" with all amendments that have been made shown in red, and one labeled "Final," which is the final amended version. The "Redline" version is for informational purposes only, and should not be submitted with the bid.

The following is a summary of the significant amendments to IFB 23000. Vendors are advised to read the "OGS Responses to Vendor Inquiries" document in its entirety.

1. **Method of Award.** The IFB Main Document, Section II.1 *Award Overview*, has been amended to remove the ranking of Contractors (i.e., "Primary Contractor," "Secondary Contractor," and "Tertiary Contractor"), and identify IFB 23000 as a multiple award solicitation. One (1) award shall be made for each different OEM Chassis Model/Body Model combination (e.g. Ford E-Series Chassis/Coach & Equipment Body, Ford Transit Chassis/Coach & Equipment Body, Chevrolet 3500 Chassis/Coach & Equipment Body, and Freightliner M2-106 Chassis/Blue Bird Body) offered for each Item. See Question 12.

2. **List of Items and Fuel Type bid.** The list of Items included in each Lot of the IFB has been amended to combine fuel types offered, and to reduce the number of Items bid to twenty-one (21). See Questions 7 and 8.
  - A. Each Lot A Item identified with a “G” in the Item name (e.g., “LOT A (Item 1-G)”), shall be bid as a gasoline engine, with alternative-to-gasoline engines included as additional fuel type that a Bidder may offer.
  - B. Each Lot C and Lot D Item identified with a “D” in the Item name (e.g., “LOT C (Item 1-D)”), shall be bid as a diesel engine, with alternative-to-diesel engines included as additional fuel types that a Bidder may offer.
  - C. An electric propulsion system must be offered for Items identified with an EV in the Item name (e.g., “LOT C (Item 1-EV)”).
3. **School Bus and Fuel Type Additions After Award.** After Contract award, a vendor that has not been awarded a Contract may offer School Buses during a periodic recruitment period, and a Contractor may request the addition of School Buses and fuel types pursuant to the amended Section *V.8 Replacement Product and Product Additions*. See Question 7.
4. **Attachment 1: Specifications and Price Pages.** Attachment 1 *Specifications and Price Pages* has been replaced in its entirety. Bidders are advised to review the amended “Instructions” tab, and the instructions listed for each Part of the “Item” Bidder-input worksheets. **Note: All Bidders must submit the revised Attachment 1: Specifications and Price Pages which states at the top of each tab “Attachment 1: Specifications and Price Pages (July 26, 2016).” Failure to do so shall result in the bid being deemed non-responsive and in the rejection of the bid.**

**ADDITIONAL INQUIRIES:**

Due to the significant solicitation amendments, OGS will consider additional vendor inquiries. Please submit additional questions as soon as possible on Attachment 5: *Inquiries Form*, so that they may be timely addressed prior to the bid opening date. Answers to all additional questions of a substantive nature shall be provided to all registered vendors in the form of a question and answer document which shall be posted on the OGS website and announced through the New York State Contract Reporter site.

Vendors are advised to submit inquiries at any time prior to the bid opening date if the specifications and/or terms and conditions included in the IFB may affect the ability of the Vendor to submit a responsive bid.

**BIDDER ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF SOLICITATION UPDATES:**

All Bidders must acknowledge receipt and agreement to all IFB amendments by answering “yes” to Question #14 on Attachment 2: *Bid Documents (Electronic)*, Section A: *Bid Submittal Checklist*.

All other terms and conditions of the IFB remain the same.



# Bid Solicitation Update 1

## Subject: Responses to Inquiries and Anticipated Bid Opening Date Change

DATE: July 11, 2016

IFB/RFP: 23000                      BID OPENING DATE | TIME: July 21, 2016                      | 11:00                      AM

GROUP | TITLE: 40524 | SCHOOL BUSES (Statewide)

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### RESPONSES TO INQUIRIES:

In accordance with the SCHOOL BUSES (Statewide) Invitation for Bids (IFB # 23000), answers to inquiries and request for clarifications that were posed at the discretionary Pre-bid conference on June 23, 2016, or that were received timely during the inquiry period that ended on June 30, 2016, were anticipated to be released on July 12, 2016.

Answers to inquiries and requests for clarifications are now anticipated to be released on or about July 26, 2016 and will be posted on the OGS website at <http://www.ogs.ny.gov/purchase/biddocument/23000BID.asp> and announced via the New York State Contract Reporter website: <https://www.nyscr.ny.gov/>.

### UPDATE TO BID SUBMISSION INFORMATION:

The Submission of bid and bid opening date for this solicitation will be changed. It is anticipated the revised "Submission of bid and bid opening date" will be at least ten (10) business days after the OGS responses to vendor inquiries are released. Please note that the final revised "Submission of bid and bid opening date" will be included in the Bid Solicitation Update that is released on or about July 26, 2016.

### SOLICITATION AMENDMENTS

OGS anticipates amending IFB Section II.1 *Award Overview* and other sections of the IFB, and replacing Attachment 1: *Specifications and Price Pages* in its entirety, to address concerns raised by vendors. All Bidders must submit the revised Attachment 1: *Specifications and Price Pages* that will be posted on the OGS website on or about July 26, 2016.

### BIDDER ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF SOLICITATION UPDATES:

All Bidders must acknowledge receipt and agreement to all IFB amendments by answering "yes" to Question #14 on Attachment 2: *Bid Documents (Electronic)*, Section A: *Bid Submittal Checklist*.

All other terms and conditions of the IFB remain the same.